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[REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION

TUESDAY, JULY 17, 2012 ON PAGE 148.]

SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN: WE'LL CALL THE MEETING TO ORDER.
THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS IS NOW IN SESSION. ASK
EVERYONE TO RISE FOR THE INVOCATION AND THE PLEDGE OF
ALLEGIANCE. THE INVOCATION WILL BE LED BY PASTOR ROCKY
SUPINGER OF THE CLAREMONT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH. AND THE PLEDGE
OF ALLEGIANCE WILL BE LED BY RICHARD L. DAVIS, ADJUTANT, POST
NO. 527 OF THE LOS FELIZ AMERICAN LEGION. PASTOR SUPINGER.

PASTOR ROCKY SUPINGER: I WOULD LIKE TO THANK THE COUNTY BOARD
OF SUPERVISORS FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO BE WITH YOU HERE TODAY,
IT'S A GREAT HONOR. LET US PRAY. ETERNAL GOD WHO FORMS US AND
WHO FORMS ALL PEOPLE IN YOUR IMAGE, WE GREET THIS DAY WITH
GRATITUDE, GRATITUDE FOR THE AIR THAT FILLS OUR LUNGS, FOR THE
WATER THAT CLEANSSES US AND QUENCHES OUR THIRST, GRATITUDE FOR
THE FOOD THAT WE SHARE, FOR THE WORK THAT WE HAVE TO DO AND
THE MEANING AND DIRECTION THAT IT GIVES TO OUR LIVES. WE GREET
THIS DAY WITH GRATITUDE FOR THE COWORKERS AND THE FRIENDS THAT
WE HAVE WITH WHOM WE DO THIS WORK, WHO CHALLENGE US AND
SUPPORT US AND MAKE US BETTER. AND FOR OUR FAMILIES, WHOSE
LOVE GIVES SHAPE AND DIRECTION TO OUR LIFE AND OUR PURSUITS.



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1 FOR THE NEIGHBORHOODS, THE CITIES AND THE COUNTY IN WHICH WE
2 LIVE, THE NATURAL BEAUTY IT POSSESSES, THE WEALTH OF CULTURES
3 AND TRADITIONS THAT IT PRODUCES, AND THE HUMAN AND MATERIAL
4 RESOURCES THAT WE SHARE. FOR ALL THESE GIFTS, OH GOD, WE GIVE
5 THANKS TODAY. HEAR OUR PRAYER NOW AS WE SEEK BLESSING AND
6 GUIDANCE FOR THIS DAY. WE PRAY THAT THE WORK THAT IS DONE HERE
7 TODAY, THE BUSINESS TO WHICH WE ATTEND IN THIS MEETING AND
8 THROUGHOUT THIS DAY WOULD ENRICH THE LIVES OF EVERYONE IN THIS
9 COUNTY, WOULD MAKE FOR JUSTICE AND FAIRNESS AND EQUALITY FOR
10 ALL. WE PRAY FOR THE PEOPLE IN OUR COUNTY WHO STRUGGLE EVERY
11 DAY JUST TO GET BY, TO FIND WORK, TO PROVIDE FOR THEIR
12 FAMILIES, TO FIND THEIR NEXT MEAL. PROVIDE FOR THE NEEDS OF
13 ALL OF THESE POOR, OH GOD, SO THAT THIS PLACE MAY BE A BEACON
14 OF HEALTH AND FLOURISHING. WE PRAY FOR THE ECONOMIES OF OUR
15 CITIES AND OUR COUNTY THAT THEY MIGHT BE INSTRUMENTS OF VALUE
16 WHERE HARD WORKING MEN AND WOMEN MAY PRODUCE AND EXCHANGE
17 VALUE IN A WAY THAT BLESSES THEM AND ADDS TO THE COMMON GOOD.
18 WE PRAY FOR OUR SYSTEM OF JUSTICE AND THE PEOPLE WHO WORK IN
19 IT, THAT CITIZENS WOULD BE PROTECTED AND THAT OUR COMMUNITIES
20 WOULD BE PLACES WHERE VIOLENCE AND GREED, ABUSE AND FEAR HAVE
21 NO PLACE. HEAR OUR PRAYER, OH GOD, AND GIVE US THE COURAGE AND
22 THE STRENGTH TO WORK FOR THE THINGS FOR WHICH WE PRAY EVEN
23 THOUGH THAT WORK DEMANDS A SACRIFICE FROM US. GRANT WISDOM AND
24 COMPASSION TO US AND TO ALL YOUR CHILDREN FOR THE REDEEMING OF
25 THIS DAY, AMEN.



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2 **RICHARD L. DAVIS:** LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, FACING THE FLAG OF OUR
3 COUNTRY, PLACE YOUR HAND OVER YOUR HEART AND JOIN ME IN THE
4 PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE. [PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE RECITED.]

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6 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. SACHI, WILL YOU CALL
7 THE AGENDA? OH, I'M SORRY. SUPERVISOR MOLINA.

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9 **SUP. MOLINA:** ONE OF THE THINGS THAT HAPPENED ARE WHEN WE
10 CHANGED OUR BOUNDARY LINES, ONE OF THE NEW AREAS THAT I AM NOW
11 UNDERTAKING IS THE CITY OF CLAREMONT. AND SO WE'RE VERY
12 FORTUNATE TO HAVE WITH US TODAY ROCKY SUPINGER, CORRECT? HE IS
13 THE PASTOR -- HE HAS SERVED AS ASSOCIATE PASTOR AT CLAREMONT
14 PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH WORKING PRIMARILY WITH JUNIOR HIGH AND
15 HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH. AFTER GRADUATING FROM STERLING COLLEGE IN
16 KANSAS, HE EARNED HIS MASTER'S OF DIVINITY DEGREE FROM
17 PRINCETON THEOLOGY SEMINARY. CLAREMONT PRESBYTERIAN IS A
18 STRIVING PARISH FOCUSING ON WORSHIP, EDUCATION, AND SPIRITUAL
19 DEVELOPMENT. THEY ARE A DIVERSE AND INCLUSIVE CONGREGATION AND
20 NEVER FAIL TO WARMLY WELCOME WORSHIPERS FROM ALL WALKS OF
21 LIFE. IT IS VERY CIVIC MINDED AND MANY OF ITS MEMBERS ARE
22 ACTIVE IN LOCAL EFFORTS AND IMPROVE THE QUALITY OF LIFE FOR
23 THEIR COMMUNITY. WE WANT TO THANK THE PASTOR FOR TAKING THE
24 TIME TO COME OUT HERE. HE DROVE ALL THE WAY FROM CLAREMONT TO



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1 LEAD US IN A VERY INSPIRATIONAL INVOCATION. THANK YOU SO MUCH
2 SIR. IT'S AN HONOR. MAY WE TAKE A PICTURE?

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4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** SUPERVISOR SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH?

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6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** MR. CHAIRMAN, IT'S A GREAT PLEASURE TO BRING
7 DOWN TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS RICHARD DAVIS, WHO IS WITH
8 THE AMERICAN LEGION, LOS FELIZ POST 27, A RESIDENT OF
9 GLENDALE. HE SERVED IN THE UNITED STATES ARMY AND THE UNITED
10 STATES AIR FORCE WITH THE FIFTH AIR FORCE UNIT JUDGE ADVOCATE
11 DEPARTMENT IN KOREA. HE'S LIVED IN THE DISTRICT FOR 34 YEARS.
12 WENT TO HIGH SCHOOL IN CANADA AND GRADUATE OF SOUTHWEST
13 COLLEGE. AND HE'S A RETIRED ATTORNEY WITH DAVIS AND DRUM AND
14 HE'S A COMMISSIONER CURRENTLY FOR THE GLENDALE UNIFIED SCHOOL
15 DISTRICT. SO WE JUST THANK YOU FOR COMING DOWN AND FOR YOUR
16 SERVICE TO OUR COUNTRY, AND WISH YOU CONTINUED SUCCESS.
17 [APPLAUSE.]

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19 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. SACHI?

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21 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** GOOD MORNING, MR. CHAIRMAN, MEMBERS OF THE
22 BOARD. WE WILL BEGIN TODAY'S AGENDA ON PAGE 3, AGENDA FOR THE
23 MEETING OF THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION, ITEMS 1-D
24 THROUGH 3-D. ITEM NO. 1-D, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF
25 THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. YES. AND ON ITEM NO. 3-D, WHICH



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1 WAS POSTED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM
2 MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. ITEM NO. 2-D IS
3 BEFORE YOU.

4

5 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** IT'S MOVED BY KNABE. SECONDED BY
6 RIDLEY-THOMAS. WITHOUT OBJECTION, UNANIMOUS VOTE.

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8 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON PAGE 4, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ITEMS 1
9 THROUGH 8. ON ITEM NO. 1, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF
10 THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. ON ITEM NO. 2, THERE'S ALSO A
11 REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. ON ITEM
12 NO. 5, THIS INCLUDES THE REVISION AS INDICATED ON THE
13 SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. AND ALSO ON THIS ITEM, THERE'S A REQUEST
14 FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD IT. ON ITEM NO. 8, THIS
15 INCLUDES THE REVISION AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA.
16 AND THE REMAINING ITEMS UNDER THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ARE
17 BEFORE YOU.

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19 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** IT'S MOVED BY ANTONOVICH, SECONDED
20 BY MOLINA. WITHOUT OBJECTION, UNANIMOUS VOTE.

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22 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON PAGE 7, CONSENT CALENDAR, ITEMS 9
23 THROUGH 42. ON ITEM NO. 9, SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS AND
24 MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC REQUEST THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM
25 NO. 10 AND ITEM NO. 11 THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE



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1 PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. ON ITEM NO. 16, SUPERVISOR MOLINA
2 VOTES NO ON THIS ITEM. AND ALSO THERE'S A REQUEST FROM MEMBERS
3 OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. ON ITEM NO. 17, AS INDICATED
4 ON THE POSTED AGENDA, THE DIRECTOR OF HEALTH SERVICES REQUESTS
5 THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED THREE WEEKS TO AUGUST 7, 2012. ON
6 ITEM NO. 18, SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS VOTES NO ON THIS ITEM.
7 ON ITEM NO. 19, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC
8 TO HOLD THIS ITEM. ON ITEM NO. 20, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM
9 MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. ON ITEM NO. 24 AND
10 25, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD
11 THESE ITEMS. ON ITEM NO. 31, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER
12 OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. ON ITEM -- 31. ON ITEM NO.
13 36, SUPERVISOR MOLINA VOTES NO ON THIS ITEM. OH, I APOLOGIZE.
14 ON ITEM NO. 18. SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS, EXCUSE ME, I BELIEVE
15 I SAID HE VOTES NO ON THE ITEM. ON ITEM NO. 18, HE ACTUALLY
16 ABSTAINS FROM THE VOTE. ON ITEM NO. 38, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH
17 REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED THREE WEEKS TO AUGUST 7,
18 2012.

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20 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WHICH ITEM?

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22 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** 38.

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24 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. I'D LIKE TO HOLD IT FOR SOME
25 QUESTIONS BEFORE WE CONTINUE IT.



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2 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** SO WE'LL HOLD THE ITEM. ON ITEM NO. 40, IF
3 I HAND-READ THE SHORT TITLE IN FOR THE RECORD, AND THIS IS
4 STILL UNDER THE CONSENT CALENDAR, BUT THIS IS THE INTERIM
5 ORDINANCE TEMPORARILY REGULATES THE ESTABLISHMENT OR
6 DEVELOPMENT OF HORSE BOARDING STABLES AND EQUESTRIAN
7 FACILITIES ON INDUSTRIAL-ZONED PARCELS IN THE UNINCORPORATED
8 WEST RANCHO DOMINGUEZ-VICTORIA AREA BOUNDED BY 120TH STREET ON
9 THE NORTH, ALONDRA BOULEVARD ON THE SOUTH; COMPTON AVENUE,
10 CENTRAL AVENUE, AND STANFORD AVENUE ON THE EAST; AND FIGUEROA
11 STREET ON THE WEST, PENDING THE REVIEW AND ADOPTION OF
12 DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS FOR HORSE BOARDING STABLES AND
13 EQUESTRIAN FACILITIES. THIS ORDINANCE EXPIRES 45 DAYS AFTER
14 ITS ADOPTION UNLESS EXTENDED PURSUANT TO SECTION 65858 OF THE
15 GOVERNMENT CODE. ON THIS ITEM THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER
16 OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD IT. THE REMAINING ITEMS UNDER THE
17 CONSENT CALENDAR ARE BEFORE YOU. AGAIN RECOGNIZING SUPERVISOR
18 MOLINA IS VOTING NO ON ITEMS 16 AND 36 AND SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-
19 THOMAS ABSTAINS FROM ITEM NO. 18.

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21 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. WE'LL JUST RECORD THOSE
22 APPROPRIATELY. KNABE MOVES. I'LL SECOND ON THE REMAINDER.
23 WITHOUT OBJECTION, UNANIMOUS VOTE. AND AND THOSE THREE, RECORD
24 THEM AS INDICATED. KNABE WILL MOVE AND I'LL SECOND. AND THAT
25 WILL BE THE ORDER ON THOSE THREE.



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CLERK SACHI HAMAI: GREAT, THANK YOU. ON PAGE 25, ORDINANCE FOR INTRODUCTION, ITEM NO. 43 AND I'LL READ THE SHORT TITLE IN FOR THE RECORD. THIS IS AN ORDINANCE FOR INTRODUCTION AMENDING THE COUNTY CODE TITLE 3, ADVISORY COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEES RELATING TO THE HOSPITALS AND HEALTHCARE DELIVERY COMMISSION. ON THIS ITEM, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD IT. ON DISCUSSION ITEM, ITEM NO. 44, WE WILL HOLD FOR A DISCUSSION. ON PAGE 29, ON ITEM NO. CS-2 AND CS-3, COUNTY COUNSEL REQUESTS THAT THESE ITEMS BE CONTINUED TWO WEEKS TO JULY 31, 2012, AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. YES. AND THOSE ITEMS ARE BEFORE YOU.

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SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN: MOVED BY KNABE. SECONDED BY MOLINA. WITHOUT OBJECTION, UNANIMOUS VOTE.

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CLERK SACHI HAMAI: THANK YOU. I'M SORRY. CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY, ON ITEM 18, SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS IS NO LONGER AN ABSTAIN ON THAT VOTE. SO IF WE COULD CORRECT THE RECORD FOR THAT. AND HE, INSTEAD, IS ABSTAINING ON ITEM NO. 16. SO IF WE COULD JUST --

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SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN: OKAY. KNABE MOVES TO RECONSIDERATION. WITHOUT OBJECTION, IT'S RECONSIDERED ON ITEM NO. 18.



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2 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** WE'LL TAKE HIM OFF AS AN ABSTAIN.

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4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** KNABE MOVES, RIDLEY-THOMAS
5 SECONDS. UNANIMOUS VOTE ON THAT ITEM. AND THEN WE'LL GET TO
6 16.

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8 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** 16, GREAT. THANK YOU. AND THAT COMPLETES
9 THE READING OF THE AGENDA. BOARD OF SUPERVISORS SPECIAL ITEMS
10 BEGIN WITH SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT NO. 5. THANK YOU.

11

12 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** MR. ANTONOVICH?

13

14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** TODAY WE HAVE A LITTLE POODLE NAMED ABBY WHO
15 IS TWO YEARS OLD. AND ABBY'S LOOKING FOR A HOME. IF YOU'D LIKE
16 TO ADOPT THIS LITTLE BEAUTIFUL POODLE YOU CAN CALL 562-728-
17 4644 FOR LITTLE ABBY, OR IF ANYBODY IN THE AUDIENCE WOULD LIKE
18 TO -- HOW ABOUT YOU, STEVE? STEVE, WOULD YOU LIKE TO ADOPT
19 LITTLE ABBY? LITTLE ADDITION TO THE FAMILY? ANYWAY, YOU CAN
20 CALL 562-728-4644 FOR LITTLE ABBY.

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22 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** ANY PRESENTATIONS, MADAM SUPERVISOR? MR.
23 CHAIRMAN, ANY PRESENTATIONS AT THIS POINT?

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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** CAN I ASK JERRY POWERS TO COME
2 FORWARD FOR A PRESENTATION? THIS IS A PROCLAMATION TO
3 COMMEMORATE PROBATION SERVICES APPRECIATION WEEK. THE COUNTY
4 PROBATION DEPARTMENT IS AN ESSENTIAL PART OF THE JUSTICE
5 SYSTEM AND ITS 6200 EMPLOYEES, INCLUDING 4400 SWORN OFFICERS,
6 ARE COMMITTED TO ENHANCING PUBLIC SAFETY, ENSURING VICTIMS'
7 RIGHTS AND EFFECTING POSITIVE PROBATION OR BEHAVIORAL CHANGE.
8 THE PROBATION DEPARTMENT STAFF ARE TRAINED PROFESSIONALS WHO
9 PROVIDE SERVICES AND REFERRALS FOR OVER 90,000 OFFENDERS
10 THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY, UPHOLDING THE LAW WITH DIGNITY AND
11 RECOGNIZING THE RIGHT OF THE PUBLIC TO BE SAFE FROM CRIMINAL
12 ACTIVITY. PARTNERING WITH OTHER LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES AND
13 DEPARTMENTS AND COMMUNITY AND FAITH-BASED ORGANIZATIONS WHICH
14 SHARE A COMMON VISION TO REBUILD LIVES AND PROVIDE FOR
15 HEALTHIER AND SAFER COMMUNITIES, THE DEPARTMENT PROMOTES
16 PREVENTION, INTERVENTION AND ADVOCACY. IT WILL JOIN OTHER
17 PROBATION DEPARTMENTS THROUGHOUT THE NATION THIS WEEK IN
18 RECOGNIZING THE WORK AND CONTRIBUTIONS PROBATION OFFICERS AND
19 SUPPORT STAFF HAVE PROVIDED TO THEIR COMMUNITIES. SO THE BOARD
20 RESOLVES THAT THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES -- BOARD OF
21 SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES HEREBY PROCLAIMS THE
22 WEEK OF JULY 15-21, 2012 PROBATION SERVICES APPRECIATION WEEK,
23 THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY OF L.A. AND THAT ALL RESIDENTS ARE
24 ENCOURAGED TO REFLECT WITH PRIDE AND GRATITUDE ON THE
25 ACHIEVEMENTS OF THESE PROBATION EMPLOYEES. PRESENT THIS TO



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1 YOU, JERRY, JERRY POWERS, THE CHIEF PROBATION OFFICER. WE
2 THANK YOU FOR YOUR SERVICE AND PLEASE PASS ON OUR
3 CONGRATULATIONS AND RECOGNITION TO ALL OF YOUR EMPLOYEES.
4 [APPLAUSE.]

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6 **JERRY POWERS:** FIRST I WANT TO THANK CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY AND
7 THE REST OF THE BOARD FOR PROCLAIMING THIS WEEK AS PROBATION
8 SERVICES WEEK. MOST IMPORTANTLY, I NEED TO THANK THE 6200
9 PROBATION PROFESSIONALS THAT WORK FOR THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY
10 IN THE PROBATION DEPARTMENT. AS THE SUPERVISOR SAID, THEY
11 PROVIDE SERVICES TO NEARLY 100,000 OF OUR COUNTY CITIZENS. AND
12 IF YOU COUNT THE FAMILIES AND THE ADDITIONAL MEMBERS THAT THEY
13 INTERACT WITH, THEY PROBABLY INTERACT WITH ABOUT 1 IN EVERY 3
14 CITIZENS IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. AND THEY HAVE A TREMENDOUS
15 OBLIGATION AND A TREMENDOUS RESPONSIBILITY. THEY CARRY OUT
16 THIS RESPONSIBILITY EVERY DAY WITH DIGNITY AND
17 PROFESSIONALISM. AND I TRULY WANT TO THANK THEM FOR THEIR
18 EFFORTS IN KEEPING LOS ANGELES COUNTY THE SAFE COUNTY THAT IT
19 IS AND NOT JUST THIS WEEK BUT EVERY WEEK DURING THE YEAR. SO
20 THANK YOU VERY MUCH. [APPLAUSE.]

21

22 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** NO OTHER PRESENTATIONS? WE HAVE
23 ONE MORE PRESENTATION. IT'S A PLEASURE TO INTRODUCE AS PART OF
24 THE L.A. STARS PROGRAM, L.A. COUNTY STARS PROGRAM, THE MALIBU
25 REFUND TEAM FROM THE OFFICE OF THE TREASURER AND TAX



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1 COLLECTOR, WHO AS OF JULY 2012 -- WHO ARE THE JULY 2012 L.A.
2 COUNTY STARS WINNERS IN THE CATEGORY OF SERVICE EXCELLENCE AND
3 ORGANIZATIONAL EFFECTIVENESS. DUE TO THEIR DILIGENT AND
4 CONSISTENT RESEARCHING EFFORTS, THE TEAM COMPLETED A HIGHLY
5 COMPLEX, MULTI-YEAR TAX REFUND PROJECT INVOLVING PROPERTY
6 OWNERS IN THE CITY OF MALIBU. THE TEAM RESEARCHED AND
7 RECONSTRUCTED VITAL INFORMATION SPANNING TWO DECADES TO
8 ACCOUNT FOR ALL FUNDS, DETERMINE THE APPROPRIATE REFUND
9 RECIPIENTS AND EFFECTIVELY REFUNDED OVER \$4 MILLION TO OVER
10 3700 CURRENT AND FORMER RESIDENTS OF THE CITY OF MALIBU. THE
11 TEAM USED PROPERTY OWNER-FRIENDLY PROCESSES AND PROVIDED THE
12 HIGHEST LEVEL OF SERVICE WHEN HANDLING INQUIRIES FROM THE
13 COMMUNITY, RESPONDING IN A TIMELY AND INFORMATIVE MANNER TO
14 ABOUT 1,000 CALLS, LETTERS AND EMAILS FROM CONSTITUENTS. THIS
15 HIGHLY SUCCESSFUL COLLABORATIVE EFFORT BY THE MALIBU REFUND
16 TEAM IS A TRUE REFLECTION OF THE MANNER IN WHICH COUNTY
17 DEPARTMENTS ARE MEETING THE GOAL OF SERVICE EXCELLENCE AND
18 OPERATIONAL EFFECTIVENESS. PLEASE JOIN ME IN CONGRATULATING
19 THE MALIBU REFUND TEAM FOR THEIR OUTSTANDING WORK LED BY MARK
20 SALADINO, THE TREASURER AND TAX COLLECTOR. LET'S GIVE THEM A
21 BIG HAND. [APPLAUSE.] I HAVE A LITTLE PASSING KNOWLEDGE ABOUT
22 THIS PROJECT, AND I DON'T THINK THERE'S EVER BEEN A PROJECT OF
23 THIS COMPLEXITY INVOLVING SO MANY CITIZENS GOING BACK SO LONG.
24 YOU REALLY HAVE DONE A YEOMAN'S JOB. YOU WENT WELL BEYOND THE
25 CALL OF DUTY. AND WE DID THE RIGHT THING IN REFUNDING THOSE



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1 FUNDS TO THE RESIDENTS AND FORMER RESIDENTS OF MALIBU, AND I
2 REALLY APPRECIATE ALL THE WORK YOU ALL DID. I KNOW HOW HARD
3 YOU WORKED BOTH TO FIGURE THIS OUT AND TO KEEP THE CITIZENRY
4 AT BAY AND PATIENT WHILE YOU FIGURED IT OUT. AND EVERYTHING
5 WORKED OUT GREAT. SO IT'S WELL-DESERVED HONOR. SO
6 CONGRATULATIONS. [APPLAUSE.] WE HAVE SEVERAL INDIVIDUALS WHO
7 HAVE ASKED TO BE HEARD ON MULTIPLE ITEMS. DR. CLAVREUL, YOU'VE
8 ASKED TO SPEAK ON ITEM 20 AND 43 AS WELL AS ITEM 44. ERIC
9 PREVEN, YOU ASKED TO BE HEARD ON ITEMS 1-D, 3-D, 5, 9, 10, 16,
10 19, 24 AND 31. AND ARNOLD SACHS, ITEM 3-D, 1, 2, 9, 11, 20, 43
11 AND 40. YEAH.

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13 **ERIC PREVEN:** SHOULD WE WAIT FOR THE DESIGNATED ORDER?

14

15 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** NO, GO AHEAD, MR. PREVEN?

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17 **ERIC PREVEN:** IS THAT OKAY WITH --

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19 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** IT'S OKAY WITH ME.

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21 **ERIC PREVEN:** WELL, HERE SHE IS. I THINK IT'S ONLY FAIR.

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23 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. GOOD MORNING, DR.

24 CLAVREUL.

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1 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** GOOD MORNING, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS.
2 DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL. ON ITEM 20 AND 43, THEY ARE CONNECTED
3 TOGETHER. SO THAT SHOULD REALLY ONE ITEM. AND FOR ITEM 44,
4 IT'S SUPPOSED TO BE A REPORT. I WOULD LIKE TO LISTEN TO THE
5 REPORT BEFORE I SPEAK TO IT. ON ITEM 20 AND 43 ABOUT THE
6 COMMISSION ON HOSPITALS? I AM REALLY CONCERNED OF WHAT'S GOING
7 ON WITH THAT COMMISSION. YOU SAY IT MEETS SPORADICALLY. AND I
8 THINK I AM QUITE UPSET BY ONE OF THE RECENT APPOINTMENTS OF
9 SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS ON APPOINTING DIANE FACTOR TO THE
10 COMMISSION WHEN SHE'S A PRESIDENT OF THE W.E.R.C., WHO IS ALSO
11 THE S.E.I.U. I THINK THAT'S A VERY POOR JUDGMENT TO APPOINT
12 THAT PERSON TO THE COMMISSION ON HOSPITALS. I THINK IT'S
13 DEFINITELY A CONFLICT OF INTEREST AND CERTAINLY I AM VERY
14 CONCERNED ABOUT THAT. AND TO RELINQUISH THE LENGTH OF
15 APPOINTMENT I REALLY FEEL IS A HUGE MISTAKE. I THINK PEOPLE
16 SHOULD NOT STAY ON THOSE COMMISSIONS FOREVER. I THINK YOU NEED
17 SOME NEW BLOOD IN MANY OF THOSE COMMISSIONS. AND I THINK ALL -
18 - THEY ALL SHOULD BE LIKE THAT. AND ONE OF THE REASONS I DON'T
19 WANT TO SPEAK TO ITEM 44 NOW WHEN IT'S NOT --

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21 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** I'LL CALL YOU UP LATER AFTER THE
22 REPORT.

23

24 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** BECAUSE LAST WEEK YOU FORCED ME TO
25 SPEAK ON ITEM 37-A AND HAVING TO DO WITH THE PORN INDUSTRY.



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1 AND WHEN I WATCHED THE TAPE, I FIND OUT THAT YOU TOOK THAT
2 ITEM AS ONE OF THE LAST ITEMS WHERE PEOPLE TESTIFIED TO THAT
3 ITEM. I FEEL YOU PROHIBITED ME TO FAIRLY HAVE AN INPUT ON THAT
4 ITEM. SO I APPRECIATE TODAY YOU WAITING UNTIL 44 IS CALLED.
5 THANK YOU.

6

7 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. THE REASON BEING WE
8 HAVE AN ORAL REPORT ON THAT. ALL THE OTHER REPORTS -- MOST OF
9 THE OTHER REPORTS ARE WRITTEN AND THEY'RE POSTED ON THE
10 WEBSITE WELL IN ADVANCE OF THE MEETING, DAYS IN ADVANCE OF THE
11 MEETING. AND OFTENTIMES THERE IS NO ORAL/VERBAL REPORT. MOST
12 OFTEN THERE ARE NOT. THAT'S WHY WE WANT YOU TO BE HEARD
13 EARLIER. BUT TODAY THERE WILL BE A VERBAL REPORT AND IT'S FAIR
14 ENOUGH FOR YOU TO LISTEN TO THAT REPORT AS THE REST OF US
15 WILL. THANK YOU, DR. CLAVREUL.

16

17 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** MY MOST RECENT ARTICLE ON POLITICS AND
18 NURSING ADVOCACY FROM -- MAGAZINE.

19

20 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WE'LL HAVE THE SERGEANT CIRCULATE
21 IT. MR. PREVEN?

22

23 **ERIC PREVEN:** YES, MY NAME IS ERIC PREVEN AND I AM THE COUNTY
24 RESIDENT FROM DISTRICT 3. AND I WILL START TODAY WITH ITEM 1-
25 D, WHICH IS OF GREAT CONCERN. THIS IS A CONSTRUCTION-READY



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1 \$1.7 MILLION MULTI-PURPOSE CENTER IN SAN ANGELO AND IN LA
2 PUENTE. THIS PROJECT IS A BEAUTIFUL PIECE OF WORK AND YET WE
3 ARE TERMINATING RELATIONS FOR CONVENIENCE WITH THE ARCHITECT
4 FOR NO GOOD REASON. THIS NEEDS TO BE ABRUPTLY HALTED. WE'RE
5 NOT GOING TO WASTE \$292,000, WHICH IS VERY GOOD MONEY INVESTED
6 THROUGH THE PROCESS WITH NUMEROUS MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC
7 INVOLVED. THIS IS AN OUTRAGE. PLEASE GET INTO THAT ONE. ITEM
8 NO. 16 IS ANOTHER MILD OUTRAGE. MAXIMUS, WHICH IS A WELL KNOWN
9 -- TRADES AT ABOUT \$50 A SHARE PUBLIC COMPANY OUT OF RESTON
10 VIRGINIA HAS BEEN FOR A NUMBER OF YEARS SUPERVISING SOME OF
11 OUR WELFARE-TO-WORK PROGRAMS IN VARIOUS PARTS OF THE VALLEY,
12 THE ANTELOPE. LET ME PUT IT TO YOU THIS WAY. THEY'RE FARMING
13 IT OUT TO A GROUP CALLED JEWISH VOCATIONAL SERVICES. AND ALL
14 OF THIS IS INTOLERABLE BECAUSE THIS IS A FIRM THAT LOBBIES
15 THROUGH ENGLANDER, KNABE AND ALLEN. THEY HAVE SPENT \$300,000
16 WITH A COMPANY THAT'S VERY CLOSELY TIED TO OUR BOARD OF
17 SUPERVISORS. PLEASE, THIS IS WELFARE. WE DON'T WANT PROFITABLE
18 COMPANIES. WE WANT THE INDIVIDUAL STAKEHOLDERS TO BENEFIT, NOT
19 THE STOCKHOLDERS, PLEASE. ITEM NO -- I'M GOING TO HAVE TO BE
20 BRIEF HERE. ITEM NO. 19, BECAUSE IT'S IMPORTANT TO BE SAID,
21 LAWYERS, ONCE AGAIN, ARE CHARGING \$148,000 OUT OF A \$300,000
22 SETTLEMENT WITH OUR HOSPITAL. AND WE WANT TO KNOW WHICH
23 LAWYERS. OKAY. YOU WANT TO KNOW, SUPERVISORS, WHICH LAWYERS
24 ARE DOING THIS WEEK IN AND WEEK OUT CHARGING IN EXCESS OF THE
25 PERCENTAGE. 50 PERCENT. IT'S NOT ACCEPTABLE. OKAY. ITEM NO.



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1 24, IF I'M CORRECT, IS ANOTHER DOOZIE. THIS IS A JOB ORDER
2 CONTRACT FROM BELIEVE IT OR NOT 2008 WAS HANDED OUT, TWO OF
3 THEM, FOR \$4 MILLION EACH TO PUT IN SOME SPRINKLER SYSTEMS.
4 WELL, NOW THE SYSTEM CALLED HYDROPOINT DATA, WHICH HAS BEEN
5 WIDELY DISCUSSED AMONG THOUGHTFUL PEOPLE IN THE SPRINKLER
6 BUSINESS, WHICH DOES PROVIDE A SERVICE. IT'S CHARGING US
7 APPROXIMATELY \$50,000 A YEAR TO SEND US WEATHER INFORMATION TO
8 THESE CONTROLLERS, WHICH WILL, IN FACT, HELP US DISTRIBUTE OUR
9 WATER EFFICIENTLY. YET THIS IS LIKE JOB ORDER CONTRACTING.
10 THIS IS A VIRTUAL TAP IN THE VEIN OF COUNTY RESOURCES. GUYS,
11 CAN WE NOT DO BETTER? AND WHERE WERE YOU IN OCTOBER OF 2008
12 WHEN THAT JOB ORDER CONTRACT, TWO OF THEM FOR \$4 MILLION WERE
13 HANDED OUT? THERE'S NO LINKAGE. IT'S IMPOSSIBLE TO SEE WHAT'S
14 GOING ON THERE. ITEM NO. 31 IS A MAINTENANCE YARD, THE
15 IMPERIAL MAINTENANCE YARD, IT'S A \$940,000 FIX UP MR. FUJIOKA
16 AND THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS ARE GOING FORWARD WITH. AND
17 WE'RE GOING TO HAND \$21,000 TO FIX UP OUR MAINTENANCE YARD TO
18 THE GORDIAN GROUP OF SOUTH CAROLINA. SO SOUTH CAROLINA, YOU
19 GOT THE GORDIAN GROUP. RESTON, VIRGINIA, YOU GOT MAXIMUS, WHO
20 ARE IN BUSINESS WITH THE KNABES. ENOUGH. COME ON, GUYS. CLEAN
21 THIS MESS UP. AND MS. MOLINA, I WOULD URGE YOU TO LOOK AT 1-D.
22
23 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU, MR. PREVEN. MR. SACHS?
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1 **ARNOLD SACHS:** YES, THANK YOU, GOOD MORNING. ARNOLD SACHS, I,
2 TOO, WOULD LIKE TO CONGRATULATE THE MALIBU REFUND TEAM AND ALL
3 THE WORK THEY DID, GOING BACK OVER THE YEARS, 20 YEARS OF
4 RECORDS. SO I WONDER WITH ALL THE GOING BACK OVER THE RECORDS
5 AND ALL THE WORK THEY WOULD HAVE DONE ON TAX REFUNDS, HOW
6 COULD THE PROPERTY ASSESSORS' OFFICE BE SO FOULED UP WHERE
7 THEY DIDN'T REALIZE THAT -- NOBODY REALIZED WHAT WAS GOING ON
8 AND THE COUNTY ASSESSOR HAD TO BE REPLACED? IT JUST DOESN'T
9 MAKE SENSE. I'M KIND OF REMINDED OF WHEN COUNTY U.S.C., THE
10 NEW HOSPITAL OPENED UP AND ONE OF THE FIRST PRESENTATIONS WAS
11 TO THE BOARD THAT OVERSAW THE CONSTRUCTION, ONLY TO FIND OUT
12 THAT THEY PUT THE INTAKE AIR SHAFTS TOO CLOSE TO THE
13 HELICOPTER PAD AND THEY HAD TO REPLACE THEM OR REDO SOME WORK
14 AROUND THAT. KIND OF LIKE CHASING AFTER THE HORSES AFTER -- OR
15 LOCKING THE BARN WAY AFTER THE HORSE HAS LEFT. I HELD ITEM NO.
16 11, YOU'RE TAKING MONEY FROM THE FIRST SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT,
17 C.D.B.G. FUNDS AND CAPITAL PROJECT FUNDS, AND YOU'RE
18 TRANSFERRING IT AND REPAYING IT TO THE SECOND SUPERVISORIAL
19 DISTRICT, THE C.D.B.G. FUNDS. BUT THE GENERAL, THE COUNTY
20 GENERAL FUNDS, IT'S NOT GOING BACK TO THE SECOND DISTRICT FOR
21 CAPITAL PROJECT FUNDS. SO YOU'RE ESSENTIALLY TAKING MONEY FROM
22 THE SECOND DISTRICT CAPITAL PROJECT FUNDS AND REPAYING IT BACK
23 TO THE COUNTY GENERAL FUND. SO I WAS WONDERING WHY YOU'RE
24 DOING THAT. I HELD ITEM NO. 9, THIS SEEMS TO BE LIKE THE HOLY
25 GRAIL. THE COUNTY ANALYTICAL PROCESS UTILIZED IN MAKING



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1 RECOMMENDATIONS FOR FACILITIES. SO IS THERE AN ANALYTICAL
2 PROCESS USED FOR ALL THE COUNTY DECISIONS? OR IS IT BECAUSE WE
3 SAY SO? THAT SEEMS TO BE RULE NUMBER 3 WHEN DEALING WITH THE
4 COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. RULE NUMBER 1 AND 2 IS REMEMBER
5 RULE NUMBER 3. COUNTY ANALYTICAL PROCESS. MAYBE DEAN WORMER,
6 WHO'S GOT AN OFFICE SOME PLACE IN THE BUILDING, YOU KNOW LIKE
7 DOUBLE SECRET PROBATION, IT'S ABSOLUTELY RIDICULOUS. MAYBE USE
8 THAT ANALYTICAL PROCESS, OH, BY THE WAY, THE SUNSHINE CANYON
9 LANDFILL JUST HAD A MEETING. THEY'RE DISCUSSING THE BUDGET FOR
10 '12, FISCAL YEAR '12/'13, I WONDER IF THEY USED AN ANALYTICAL
11 PROCESS THERE. THAT'S THE ONE WHERE THEY ELIMINATED 6600 TONS
12 OF WASTE JUST AT THE FLICK OF A HAT BY JUST IGNORING IT. SO
13 HOW DO YOU DISCUSS A BUDGET FOR THE LANDFILL WITHOUT COUNTING
14 THE 6600 TONS OF WASTE THAT YOU SEEM TO MAGICALLY MAKE
15 DISAPPEAR? IT'S PRETTY FASCINATING. I KNOW, IT'S AN ANALYTICAL
16 PROCESS. I ALSO KNOW I'M OUT OF TIME. DARN.

17

18 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. E.T. SNELL ASKED TO BE
19 HEARD ON ITEM 1-D, 9 AND 19? START HIS TIME.

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21 **E.T. SNELL:** I HAVEN'T STARTED, ZEV. VIOLATING THE BROWN ACT
22 ISN'T ANYTHING NEW TO YOU. ANYWAY, I'M SITTING HERE TRYING TO
23 SIGN UP AND I GOT THEM TWO LADIES BACK THERE. THEY AIN'T
24 NOTHING NICE. YOU KNOW, TRYING TO SIGN UP, I WALK IN. I GOT TO
25 DRIVE ALL THE WAY FROM BARSTOW. YOU KNOW, THAT'S A TOUGH SHOT.



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1 \$20 PARKING. BUT THEN, YOU KNOW, YOU GUYS AIN'T GOT NO RESPECT
2 FOR US PEOPLE OUT HERE TRYING TO AT LEAST LET YOU KNOW THAT
3 YOU CAN'T GET AWAY WITH THIS USELESS GOVERNMENT. LET'S TALK
4 ABOUT 9. RECOMMENDATION APPROVE THE REVISED FACILITY,
5 LOCATION, SELECTION POLICY. YOU GOT MR. FUJIOKA HERE, YOU GUYS
6 DID THAT BOONDOGGLE ON THAT CAN'T PLAY FOOTBALL AND FRISBEE ON
7 THE BEACH. SO IT LOOKS LIKE TO ME WHAT YOU'VE DONE IS YOU'VE
8 PASSED THE FRISBEE AND THE BALL TO MR. FUJIOKA SO NOW HE CAN
9 MAKE THE LAWS AS TO WHAT'S RIGHT AND WHAT'S WRONG IN THE
10 INTEREST OF PUBLIC SPIRIT. SO, I MEAN, YOU GUYS JUST GET MORE
11 USELESS EVERY YEAR I COME HERE. AND THIS SEEMS TO BE -- I
12 DON'T KNOW WHY THEY DON'T JUST ABOLISH THIS GOVERNMENT BECAUSE
13 IT'S PRETTY USELESS BECAUSE IF YOU HAVE TO HAVE YOUR C.E.O.
14 MAKE ALL THE MOVES FOR YOU AND YOUR C.E.O. PASS ALL THE LAWS
15 FOR YOU, IT SEEMS PRETTY -- YOU GUYS SEEM PRETTY USELESS. I
16 MEAN, WHAT ARE YOU FOR? I READ THE ANALYST'S REPORT A LITTLE
17 BIT. I HAD A LITTLE BIT OF TIME TO READ IT. AND IT'S ALL ABOUT
18 SOLICITATION. YOU CAN'T ASK OR BEG ANOTHER BY WORK, CONDUCT,
19 OR ANY OTHER FORM OF COMMUNICATION OR MONEY, SOME OF THE OTHER
20 THINGS OF VALUE. SO YOU'VE GOT A BUNCH OF HOMELESS PEOPLE ON
21 THE BEACH. A GUY'S STARVING, HE CAN'T COME UP AND ASK A GUY
22 FOR A CRUMB. TALK ABOUT LES MISERABLES, THAT'S A VIOLATION.
23 MR. FUJIOKA WILL BE RUNNING IT AND YOU'LL BE TELLING HIM WHAT
24 TO DO AND THEN IT WON'T FALL BACK ON YOU, YOU GUYS WON'T LOOK
25 LIKE A BUNCH OF CLOWNS THAT YOU REALLY ARE. BECAUSE THIS



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1 GOVERNMENT HAS BECOME SO, SO WORTHLESS. I MEAN, I DON'T EVEN
2 KNOW WHY THEY HAVE THIS LAYER OF GOVERNMENT. AND I WISH THERE
3 WAS A WAY TO ABOLISH IT. BECAUSE YOU SURELY, IN MY OPINION,
4 ESPECIALLY WITH THEM CHILDREN AND COUNTY FOSTER CARE. THERE
5 WAS A COUPLE DIFFERENT ISSUES HERE THAT OF COURSE BY THE TIME
6 I GET UP HERE, I'M SO DAMN ELEVATED I GOT THE SHERIFF TELLING
7 ME PUT THIS UP, THIS DOWN, CAN'T GET DRESSED IN THE FRONT ROW,
8 CAN'T DO THIS, CAN'T DO THAT. AND I GOT THOSE OTHER -- YOUR
9 OTHER TWO MONKEYS UP THERE ON ME TRYING TO TELL ME, YOU KNOW,
10 I'M TRYING TO SIGN UP. SO BY THE TIME I GET UP HERE I'M SO
11 DAMN ELEVATED I CAN'T EVEN HARDLY SPEAK OR CONCENTRATE ON THE
12 ISSUES. BUT THAT'S WHAT YOU GUYS WANT. YOU DON'T WANT US HERE.
13 IT'S NONE OF OUR BUSINESS HOW YOU'VE BEEN ABLE TO CROOK AND
14 SCHNOOK THE PUBLIC. AND THOSE BOZOS UP THERE IN THE PRESS
15 ROOM, IS ANYBODY EVEN UP THERE? THROW THEM SOME DOGGY BISCUITS
16 BECAUSE YOU'VE GOT THEM WRAPPED UP TOO. AND I DO HAVE A
17 COMPLAINT WITH THE GRAND JURY ON YOUR MARINA DEL REY --

18

19 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU, MR. SNELL. MR. NAHHAS,
20 YOU ASKED TO BE HEARD ON ITEM NO. 25? COME ON UP.

21

22 **JON NAHHAS:** GOOD MORNING, HONORABLE SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS
23 JOHN NAHHAS AND I'M WITH THE BOATING COALITION. THIS MORNING
24 I'D LIKE TO SPEAK ABOUT PARCEL 47, IS THERE ANY WAY THAT WE



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1 HAVE A STAFF REPORT, AN AUDIBLE STAFF REPORT WE CAN GET ON
2 THIS PROJECT?

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4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THERE'S A WRITTEN REPORT. UNLESS
5 THE BOARD ASKS FOR ONE, THERE WON'T BE ONE. SO GO AHEAD AND
6 SPEAK TO IT. I'M SURE YOU'VE READ THE WRITTEN REPORT.

7

8 **JON NAHHAS:** WELL, I'M JUST KIND OF WONDERING IS THERE ANY
9 REASON THIS IS BEING PULLED OUT OF ORDER ON THE AGENDA? IS
10 THERE A PARTICULAR REASON FOR THAT?

11

12 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** YOU HELD IT. THAT'S WHY WE PULLED
13 IT OUT OF ORDER. OTHERWISE IT WOULD HAVE GONE ON CONSENT. NO
14 MEMBER OF THE BOARD CHOSE TO HOLD IT. SO TAKE YOUR THREE
15 MINUTES AND SPEAK TO IT.

16

17 **JON NAHHAS:** I WANT TO UNDERSTAND THE RULES HERE. SO ANY ITEMS
18 THAT ARE HELD BY THE PUBLIC ARE AUTOMATICALLY PUT AT THE
19 BEGINNING OF THE MEETING, IS THAT CORRECT?

20

21 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** YES, PEOPLE WHO HAVE ASKED TO BE
22 HEARD ON MULTIPLE ITEMS.

23

24 **JON NAHHAS:** I HAVE ONLY ONE ITEM.

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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** I KNOW. BUT WE'RE ON THAT ITEM
2 NOW.

3

4 **JON NAHHAS:** YOU'RE ON THE ITEM IN THE AGENDA.

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6 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** YES.

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8 **JON NAHHAS:** OKAY, SO THERE ARE NO ITEMS BEFORE THIS? YOU'RE
9 STARTING WITH 25 TODAY.

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11 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** MR. NAHHAS, I DON'T WANT YOU TO
12 WASTE YOUR TIME QUIBBLING ABOUT THIS. I WANT TO HEAR WHAT YOU
13 HAVE TO SAY.

14

15 **JON NAHHAS:** I WANT TO KNOW WHAT THE RULES OF THE BOARD ARE,
16 SIR, THAT'S ALL I'M DOING. OKAY. SO WHAT WE HAVE HERE IS A
17 PROBLEM WITH THE NUMBER THAT HAS BEEN SUBMITTED IN THE STAFF
18 REPORT. THE STAFF REPORT LISTS 330 SLIPS. WE CLEARLY HAVE
19 IDENTIFIED AS OVER 420 BOAT SLIPS THAT ARE PART OF THIS
20 PROJECT. AND WE'VE CONFIRMED THAT ON GOOGLE SATELLITE IMAGERY
21 ON GOOGLE EARTH. SO IF IN FACT THE STAFF REPORT IS INCORRECT
22 AND THERE ARE 400 SOME ODD SLIPS, WE ASK THAT YOU RECONSIDER.
23 WE ASK THAT YOUR STAFF SHOW US WHERE THESE 330 SLIPS ARE
24 BECAUSE IT'S A COMPLETE FICTITIOUS NUMBER. WHY WOULD THIS
25 NUMBER OF SLIPS BE UNDERESTIMATED? WHO WOULD BENEFIT BY



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1 MISREPRESENTING THE INFORMATION PRESENTED? ANOTHER PROBLEM
2 WITH THIS PROJECT IS PARCEL 44 HAS NOT NEGOTIATED THE LEASE
3 TERMS OF THEIR OPTION, AND THE COUNTY HASN'T. SO IF YOU GUYS
4 DECIDE THAT YOU'RE GOING TO BUILD THEIR SLIPS FOR THEM AND
5 THEN LATER ON NEGOTIATE A PRICE, THEY'RE GOING TO UP THE
6 PRICE. AND THAT'S UNFAIR TO THE TAXPAYERS. A PRICE SHOULD BE
7 NEGOTIATED PRIOR TO YOU COMMITTING TO THIS PROJECT. BECAUSE
8 THEY'RE GOING TO KNOW THAT YOU ARE COMMITTED, SEVERAL MILLION
9 DOLLARS, AND THEN ALL OF A SUDDEN THE PRICE GOES UP. SO FROM
10 WHAT WE UNDERSTAND FROM BEACHES AND HARBORS, THEY HAVEN'T
11 NEGOTIATED A PRICE YET. THERE ARE TERMS IN THE OPTION OF THE
12 PRICE, BUT THAT WAS SIGNED A LONG TIME AGO. SO THIS COULD
13 EASILY TURN INTO A GIFT OF PUBLIC FUNDS. AND WE NEED SOME
14 REASSURANCE THAT THAT IS NOT GOING TO HAPPEN. THIS IS KIND OF
15 THE CART BEFORE THE HORSE. THAT OPTION SHOULD BE SIGNED. AND I
16 GUESS THAT'S IT FOR MY TIME. THANK YOU.

17

18 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** GO AHEAD, TAKE ANOTHER 30 SECONDS
19 BECAUSE I INTERRUPTED YOU. GO AHEAD.

20

21 **JON NAHHAS:** OKAY. WELL, WE'RE CONCERNED THAT SO MANY OF THESE
22 ERRORS CONTINUE TO HAPPEN IN THE STAFF REPORTS. WE'VE ASKED
23 FOR MAPS. THIS PROJECT SHOULD HAVE A MAP. WE WANT TO MAKE SURE
24 THAT THIS KIND OF INFORMATION IS PROVIDED TO THE CITIZENS.
25 AARON SORKIN HAS NOW PROVIDED US WITH A GOOD BASE AS TO WHAT



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1 REPORTING SHOULD BE LIKE IN THE L.A. TIMES AND SOME OF THESE
2 OTHER MEDIA ORGANIZATIONS, THE PRESS CLUB THAT WE KEEP ON
3 TALKING ABOUT, AND THEY SHOULD BE MONITORING AND CHECKING THAT
4 THIS INFORMATION IS CORRECT. AND UNFORTUNATELY THAT'S NOT
5 HAPPENING. SO NOW THE CITIZENS CAN UNDERSTAND WHY THAT ISN'T
6 HAPPENING. AND WE NEED TO MAKE SURE THAT IF YOU'RE NEGOTIATING
7 TERMS, IT'S FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE TAXPAYERS. IT'S NOT FOR THE
8 BENEFIT OF ONE INDIVIDUAL IN THIS CASE OR OF SPECIAL INTEREST.
9 THANK YOU.

10

11 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. ALL RIGHT. ON THE
12 ITEMS, ON THOSE ITEMS, READ THE ITEMS AND WE'LL VOTE ON THEM.

13

14 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON ITEMS THAT ARE BEFORE YOU ARE ITEM NO.
15 1-D, 3-D, 1, 2, 5, 10, 11, 19, 20, 24, 25, 31, 40 AND 43.
16 THOSE ITEMS ARE BEFORE YOU.

17

18 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** KNABE MOVES. MOLINA SECONDS.
19 WITHOUT OBJECTION, UNANIMOUS VOTE.

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21 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** THANK YOU.

22

23 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH,
24 YOU'RE UP.

25



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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** I WOULD LIKE TO ADJOURN, AND THIS IS
2 COAUTHORED BY SUPERVISOR MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS, WILLIS EDWARDS,
3 WHO PASSED AWAY THIS PAST WEEK AT THE AGE OF 66. WILLIS WAS
4 INVOLVED IN CIVIL RIGHTS AND POLITICAL ACTIVISTS IN THE LOS
5 ANGELES AFRICAN-AMERICAN COMMUNITY AND THE COMMUNITY, STATE
6 AND NATION. HE WAS FORMER LEADER OF THE BEVERLY HILLS-
7 HOLLYWOOD N.A.A.C.P. BRANCH AND WAS INFLUENTIAL IN THE
8 N.A.A.C.P. IMAGE AWARDS, WHICH WERE TELEVISED NATIONALLY AND
9 HELPED SECURE A CONGRESSIONAL GOLD MEDAL FOR ROSA PARKS. I
10 KNEW WILLIS AS A COLLEGE CLASSMATE. WE WERE BOTH STUDENT BODY
11 OFFICERS IN COLLEGE ALONG WITH WORK, AT THAT TIME ANOTHER
12 CLASSMATE WAS OUR DISTRICT ATTORNEY, STEVE COOLEY. AND WE ALL
13 REMAINED FRIENDS AND COLLEAGUES AND WORKING ON VARIOUS ISSUES
14 THROUGHOUT OUR TIME BOTH AT THE UNIVERSITY AND WHEN I WAS IN
15 THE STATE LEGISLATURE AND LATER AS A SUPERVISOR. HE HAD A BIG
16 HEART. HE WAS DEDICATED TO HIS COMMUNITY. HE WORKED VERY
17 CLOSELY WITH FORMER COMMUNITY COLLEGE TRUSTEES, STATE SENATOR
18 AND NOW FORMER CONGRESSWOMAN WATSON, WHO HE WAS QUITE INVOLVED
19 IN HER CAMPAIGN. SO I WOULD LIKE TO MOVE THAT WE ADJOURN IN
20 HIS MEMORY. AND HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS SISTER, BRENDA; AND HIS
21 BROTHER, FRANK.

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23 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ALL MEMBERS.



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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND MARIA COLE, WHO PERFORMED WITH HER
2 HUSBAND, COUNT BASIE, DUKE ELLINGTON. PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE
3 OF 89. SHE WAS THE CO-HOST OF HER OWN VARIETY SHOW ON K.H.J.-
4 T.V. THAT MANY OF US WATCHED IN THE EARLIER DAYS. SHE'S
5 SURVIVED BY HER THREE DAUGHTERS AND HER SISTER. ONQUAH
6 EDMONSON, PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 71. HE WAS A RETIRED
7 DEPUTY WITH THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. AND
8 RICHARD ZANUCK, THE FILM PRODUCER, PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF
9 77. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE, LILI; AND THEIR FOUR CHILDREN,
10 VIRGINIA, JANET, HARRISON, AND DEAN. THOSE ARE MY ADJOURNMENT
11 MOTIONS. I HAVE A MOTION FOR NEXT WEEK. "MANY CITIES IN LOS
12 ANGELES COUNTY AND ACROSS THE STATE ARE STRUGGLING TO COVER
13 THEIR COSTS, STATE BUDGET COSTS, RISING PENSIONS AND COSTS
14 ALONG WITH THE DISSOLUTION OF REDEVELOPMENT AGENCIES CONTINUED
15 TO HURT REVENUE STREAMS. LAST WEEK, SAN BERNADINO CITY
16 DECLARED A FISCAL CRISIS AND MAY BECOME THE THIRD CALIFORNIA
17 CITY TO FILE BANKRUPTCY THIS YEAR. SINCE CONGRESS ENACTED
18 CHAPTER 9 TO THE BANKRUPTCY CODE IN 1937, SOME 640 GOVERNMENT
19 ENTITIES HAVE FILED. LAST YEAR'S 13 FILINGS ALMOST DOUBLED THE
20 SIX FILED IN 2010. ERIC HOFFMAN, AN ANALYST AT MOODY'S, SAID,
21 QUOTE 'MORE MUNICIPAL BANKRUPTCIES ARE LIKELY IN CALIFORNIA
22 AND THROUGHOUT THE NATION AS CITIES CONTINUE TO BATTLE RISING
23 COSTS AND A WEAK ECONOMY.' (END OF QUOTE) ALL OF THESE ISSUES
24 ARE FURTHER COMPLICATED BY THE POTENTIAL FOR MISMANAGEMENT AND
25 POOR FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE AS SEEN RECENTLY IN SEVERAL COUNTY



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1 CITIES, SUCH AS CUDAHY AND BELL, LEAVING THEM FEW OPTIONS.
2 IT'S UNCLEAR THE IMPACT MUNICIPAL BANKRUPTCIES WILL HAVE ON
3 LOS ANGELES COUNTY'S SERVICES AND OUR BUDGET. SO I'D MOVE THAT
4 THE BOARD" -- ACTUALLY THIS WOULD BE A REPORT BACK -- "THAT
5 THE BOARD DIRECT THE C.E.O. AND COUNTY COUNSEL TO REPORT BACK
6 IN 30 DAYS ON THE FINANCIAL AND OPERATIONAL IMPACTS ON THE
7 COUNTY BUDGET IF A MUNICIPALITY FILES FOR BANKRUPTCY OR IF ONE
8 OR MORE OF THE COUNTY'S 88 CITIES DETERMINE TO DISSOLVE, MERGE
9 OR CONSOLIDATE." SO WE WILL KIND OF HAVE AN UNDERSTANDING OF
10 WHERE WE ARE IN THAT ECONOMIC AND GOVERNMENTAL CHANGE THAT A
11 CITY OR CITIES COULD HAVE IN OUR DELIVERY OF SERVICES. I KNOW
12 THAT WE'VE -- IF A CITY DECLARES BANKRUPTCY, THE SHERIFF THEN
13 BECOMES THEIR LAW ENFORCEMENT AND THE FIRE DEPARTMENT BECOMES
14 THEIR FIRE DEPARTMENT. WELL RECEIVE THOSE REVENUES FROM THOSE
15 PROPERTY TAXES. BUT IF THE CITY IS BANKRUPT AND THEY HAVE --
16 THERE'S MORE DEMANDS THAN PROPERTY TAXES WILL PROVIDE FOR
17 THOSE SERVICES, HOW DOES THAT IMPACT OUR COUNTY AND WHAT
18 OPTIONS DO WE HAVE? SO THAT WOULD BE A REPORT BACK, MR.
19 CHAIRMAN.

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21 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY.

22

23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THAT'S ALL I HAVE.

24



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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. SUPERVISOR MOLINA?

2 ADJOURNING MOTIONS AND HOLDING ANYTHING?

3

4 **SUP. MOLINA:** I'D LIKE TO ASK TODAY THAT WE ADJOURN IN THE
5 MEMORY OF WELL KNOWN LOCAL ATTORNEY, PAUL HAMILTON. AT THE
6 TIME OF HIS PASSING, PAUL SERVED AS THE SENIOR TRIAL ATTORNEY
7 FOR JEFFER, MANGELS, BUTLER AND MITCHELL. OVER THE COURSE OF
8 HIS 44-YEAR LONG CAREER, PAUL SPECIALIZED IN REAL ESTATE,
9 HOSPITALITY INDUSTRY, CONSTRUCTION, LAND USE, JOINT VENTURE,
10 AND HOSPITALITY LITIGATION. HE HAD A VERY DISTINGUISHED CAREER
11 AND A FOUNDER PARTNER OF HAMILTON AND SAMUELS IN NEWPORT
12 BEACH. HE SERVED AS THE CHAIRMAN OF THE LITIGATION DEPARTMENT
13 OF TWO LOS ANGELES FIRMS. HE WAS THE ATTORNEY FOR THE OLVERA
14 STREET MERCHANTS. AND I PERSONALLY WITNESSED PAUL'S TENACITY
15 AND DEVOTION TO HIS CLIENTS. HE WAS A DETERMINED AND FEARLESS
16 ADVOCATE AND WE WANT TO EXTEND OUR DEEPEST CONDOLENCES TO HIS
17 FAMILY, FRIENDS, AND THE LEGION OF COLLEAGUES AS WELL AS
18 CLIENTS.

19

20 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. ARE
21 YOU HOLDING ANYTHING? YOU'RE NOT HOLDING ANYTHING? OKAY.
22 SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS? I'D JUST SAY A WORD ON WILLIS
23 EDWARDS. I KNEW WILLIS EDWARDS GOING BACK TO THE EARLY 1970S.
24 HE WAS A VERY UPBEAT, OPTIMISTIC, CAN-DO KIND OF PERSONALITY.
25 AND EVEN IN HIS ILLNESS, HE WAS ALWAYS REMARKABLY POSITIVE.



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1 IT'S A GREAT LOSS TO L.A. AND IT'S A GREAT LOSS TO THE
2 POLITICAL COMMUNITY AND POLITICAL WORLD. IN THE SOCIAL JUSTICE
3 WORLD, HE WAS A PERSON WHO MADE A DIFFERENCE. I WANT TO JOIN
4 ON COAUTHOR ON RICHARD ZANUCK, WHO WAS A CONSTITUENT OF MINE,
5 WHO PASSED AWAY A FEW DAYS AGO. FROM A HERALDED FAMILY IN
6 MOTION PICTURES IN THE CITY, AND HIMSELF A SPECTACULAR
7 FILMMAKER. IT'S A LOSS TO THAT INDUSTRY. CAN I CALL UP ITEM
8 16? HE DIDN'T HAVE ANY ADJOURNMENTS. DID YOU HAVE ANY
9 ADJOURNMENTS? ITEM 16, WE HAVE TWO PEOPLE WHO WISH TO BE
10 HEARD. FRANK PINEDA AND EDWARD ROMAN. OKAY. MR. PINEDA?

11

12 **FRANK PINEDA:** YES, SIR.

13

14 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** GO AHEAD.

15

16 **FRANK PINEDA:** GOOD MORNING, HONORABLE MEMBERS OF THE BOARD. MY
17 NAME IS FRANK PINEDA I'M A GAIN SERVICES SUPERVISOR WITH WEST
18 COUNTY GAIN REGION 1 OF D.P.S.S. AND I'M ALSO A VERY PROUD
19 MEMBER OF LOCAL 721. I HAVE DILIGENTLY SERVED LOS ANGELES
20 COUNTY FOR 12 YEARS. THE 80,000 MEMBERS OF S.E.I.U. LOCAL 721
21 RESPECTFULLY DISAGREE WITH ANY CONTRACTING OUT OF COUNTY
22 SERVICES. WE DISAGREE PARTICULARLY WITH THE ASSERTION THAT
23 GAIN CASE MANAGEMENT CAN BE PERFORMED MORE ECONOMICALLY BY AN
24 INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR THAN BY YOUR VERY OWN PUBLIC LOS
25 ANGELES COUNTY SERVANTS. AS A LOS ANGELES COUNTY EMPLOYEE, WE



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1 SEE AND MEET THE NEEDS OF GAIN EVERY DAY. WE ARE THE EXPERTS
2 IN THE SERVICES WE PROUDLY DELIVER. WE ARE MORE THAN CAPABLE
3 OF MEETING THE NEEDS OF OUR COMMUNITY WITHOUT BEING A BURDEN
4 ON LOS ANGELES COUNTY TAXPAYERS. A MAXIMUM CONTRACT IN EXCESS
5 OF \$22 MILLION WITH AN ALLEGED COST SAVINGS DURING AN ECONOMIC
6 RECESSION IS A RECIPE TO A DANGEROUS SITUATION. THE FINANCIAL
7 SITUATION WE FACE AS A COUNTY COULD CHANGE DEPENDING UPON THE
8 PASSAGE OF THE GOVERNOR'S INITIATIVE. UPON PASSAGE, THE
9 INITIATIVE WILL BRING STABILITY TO THE COUNTY'S FINANCIAL
10 SITUATION. UNTIL THIS IS PASSED, WE ASK THAT YOU REFRAIN FROM
11 APPROVING CONTRACTS THAT REQUIRE OUTSOURCING TO NON-COUNTY
12 MEMBERS. OUTSOURCING IS NOT A SAVINGS MEASURE. THE SAVINGS
13 MEASURE IS FOUND WITHIN YOUR OWN COUNTY EMPLOYEES. YOU ARE
14 FACING A POSSIBLE THREE-YEAR CONTRACT RUN BY NON-COUNTY
15 MEMBERS WITH A MAXIMUM AMOUNT IN EXCESS OF \$22 MILLION. WE ASK
16 THAT THE BOARD POSTPONE AWARDDING THIS PARTICULAR CONTRACT
17 UNTIL NOVEMBER OR UNTIL THERE'S AN HONEST COST SAVINGS
18 ANALYSIS AND INPUT FROM OUR MEMBERS WHO ARE ABLE TO PROVIDE
19 THIS SERVICE. FOR BETTER OR FOR WORSE, ONE OF THE MOST
20 IMPORTANT LEGAL RESPONSIBILITIES OF BUSINESS IS TO MAKE MONEY,
21 AND LOTS OF IT. THE MOST IMPORTANT ROLE OF GOVERNMENT, OF ME
22 AND YOU, HONORABLE MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, IS TO LOOK OUT FOR
23 THE WELFARE OF THE POPULATION WE SERVE. THOUGH MAKING MONEY
24 AND CREATING JOBS IS A NOBLE GOAL IN SO FAR AS IT SUPPORTS
25 ECONOMIC STRENGTH AND THEREFORE STABILITY OF OUR COMMUNITIES,



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1 IT IS A FAR CRY FROM LOOKING OUT FOR THE WELFARE OF THE
2 POPULATION. OUR PRIVATE SAFETY NET IN THE FORM OF BIG BUSINESS
3 HAS FALLEN APART. HONORABLE MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, PLEASE DON'T
4 LET THOSE WHO COUNT ON US FALL PREY TO BIG BUSINESS. DON'T
5 GIVE UP YOUR RESPONSIBILITY AND POWER TO MAKE SURE THAT THOSE
6 WHO NEED THE SAFETY NET OF PUBLIC SOCIAL SERVICES GET IT AND
7 THAT THEY GET IT FROM YOUR LOYAL PUBLIC SERVANTS. THANK YOU.

8

9 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. MR. ROMAN?

10

11 **EDWARD ROMAN:** GOOD MORNING, CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY. GOOD
12 MORNING, HONORABLE MEMBERS OF THE BOARD. I COME HERE THIS
13 MORNING TO SIMPLY OFFER A MACRO-PERSPECTIVE ON THE ITEM BEFORE
14 US. I'VE BEEN A GAIN SERVICE WORKER FOR 20 YEARS IN LOS
15 ANGELES COUNTY, DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES. GAIN SERVICE
16 WORKERS FUNCTION AS INDUSTRIAL SOCIAL WORKERS, PROVIDING
17 HIGHER QUALITY WEALTH DYNAMICS TO OUR COUNTY'S WELFARE-TO-WORK
18 PARTICIPANTS. WHAT KIND OF WEALTH DYNAMICS? PEACE OF MIND.
19 COURAGE AND INTELLIGENCE ARE LIKEWISE EQUALLY ADDITIONAL
20 SOURCES OF WEALTH. THESE ARE THE TYPE OF SPECIALIZED TRAININGS
21 THAT WE OFFER OUR PARTICIPANTS, NOT JUST SIGN THE PAPER,
22 HERE'S YOUR FOOD STAMPS, GET OUT THE DOOR, NEXT. WE DON'T DO
23 THAT. FOR GAIN SERVICE WORKER CIVIL SERVANTS, OUR PROFESSION
24 IS A CAREER. FOR PRIVATE SECTOR CONTRACTORS, GAIN WORK IS
25 SIMPLY JUST A JOB. CONTRACTOR EXECUTIVES PURSUE THE BOTTOM



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1 LINE, PROFIT. GAIN SERVICE WORKERS CIVIL SERVANTS PLACE
2 WELFARE-TO-WORK PEOPLE BEFORE PROFIT. THEREFORE, WE LOCAL,
3 721, RESPECTFULLY CAUTION THIS HONORABLE BOARD AGAINST THESE
4 WELFARE-TO-WORK, PENNY WISE AND POUND FOOLISH CONTRACTS BETTER
5 PERFORMED BY OUR COUNTY'S GAIN SERVICE CIVIL SERVANT STAFF. SO
6 WE MUST ASK THE INEVITABLE QUESTION: WHY AN AUTOMATIC
7 EXTENSION WHEN WE OFFER A HIGHER QUALITY SERVICE? WE ADAMANTLY
8 OBJECT TO THE ITEM, TO INCLUDE A CLAUSE TO AMEND THE CONTRACT
9 TO EXTEND THE CONTRACT FOR ONE YEAR FROM JULY 1, 2014 THROUGH
10 JUNE 30, 2015 WITHOUT CALCULATING THESE OTHER VARIABLES AND
11 THE DYNAMICS OF THE INVESTMENT IN HUMAN CAPITAL AS IN OUR
12 WELFARE TO WORK PARTICIPANTS? IT'S PREMATURE. IT'S
13 IRRESPONSIBLE. PLEASE JOIN US IN REVIEWING AND RE-ASSESSING
14 THE SUBJECT OF THE AMENDMENT TO CONTINUE THE CONTRACT FOR ONE
15 YEAR. THANK YOU.

16

17 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. IS THERE ANYONE ELSE ON
18 THE BOARD WHO WANTS TO BE HEARD? IF NOT, CALL THE ROLL.

19

20 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** SUPERVISOR MOLINA?

21

22 **SUP. MOLINA:** NO.

23

24 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS?

25



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1 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** ABSTAIN.

2

3 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** SUPERVISOR KNABE?

4

5 **SUP. KNABE:** AYE.

6

7 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH?

8

9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AYE.

10

11 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY?

12

13 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** AYE. IT IS APPROVED. THANK YOU.

14 CAN WE TAKE UP ITEM 38? IS THAT THE M.T.A. ITEM?

15

16 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** YES.

17

18 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THERE ARE TWO SPEAKERS ON ITEM 38?

19 JONATHAN KLEIN AND STAN BARANKIEWICZ.

20

21 **JONATHAN KLEIN:** RABBI JONATHAN KLEIN FROM CLERGY AND LAITY

22 UNITED FOR ECONOMIC JUSTICE. AND AMONG THE PROJECTS THAT WE'RE

23 INVOLVED WITH IS PROJECTS THAT INVOLVE CREATING A CITY THAT

24 WORKS FOR ALL, REALLY A COUNTY THAT WORKS FOR ALL PEOPLE. AND

25 PART OF THAT MEANS A TRANSPORTATION GRID THAT WILL ENSURE A



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1 FUNCTIONAL SYSTEM SO THAT ALL PEOPLE CAN ACCESS JOBS AND CAN
2 LIVE THEIR LIVES WELL. I UNDERSTAND THAT THERE IS A
3 POSSIBILITY OF A SPECIAL ELECTION. AND WHILE I HAVEN'T READ
4 ALL THE PARTICULARS OF THIS, MY UNDERSTANDING OF THIS PIECE IS
5 THAT THIS IS TO APPROVE MOVING THAT FORWARD, THAT SPECIAL
6 ELECTION, TO ESSENTIALLY REBUILD MEASURE R FUNDING, BUILD A
7 FUNDING BASE TO FURTHER TRANSPORTATION PROJECTS. AND AS A
8 RABBI, AS A PERSON OF FAITH REPRESENTING OTHER FAITHS, AS
9 WELL, WE COLLECTIVELY UNDERSTAND THE IMPORTANCE OF CREATING
10 REVENUES IN THIS COUNTY TO BUILD THESE PROJECTS AND WE ARE
11 STRONG ADHERENTS OF THE NOTION OF A COMMUNAL CAPITAL-BUILDING
12 SO THAT WE CAN HAVE GOOD PROJECTS AND THAT PEOPLE CAN LIVE AND
13 GET AROUND AND HAVE ALL THE ASSETS THAT ALL ANGELINOS SHOULD
14 BE ABLE TO HAVE. WE SEE TRANSPORTATION PROJECTS AS ESSENTIAL
15 TO MAKING IT SO THAT ALL PEOPLE HAVE EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES IN
16 THIS COUNTY. AND WE KNOW THAT THIS BODY WILL DO WHAT IS RIGHT
17 AND MAKE SURE THAT HAPPENS. THANK YOU.

18
19 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. MR. BARANKIEWICZ?

20
21 **STAN BARANKIEWICZ:** I AM STAN BARANKIEWICZ COMMENTING ON BEHALF
22 OF THE METRO GOLD LINE FOOTHILL EXTENSION CONSTRUCTION
23 AUTHORITY. I HAVE SUBMITTED AN UPDATED WHITE PAPER TO THIS
24 BOARD EXPLAINING WHY M.T.A.'S EXPENDITURE PLAN DOES NOT
25 MEASURE UP TO ITS STATUTORY REQUIREMENTS, IS INCONSISTENT WITH



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1 THE STATUTES, IS INCONSISTENT WITH M.T.A.'S 2009 LONG-RANGE
2 TRANSPORTATION PLAN, THE L.R.T.P., FIRST THE EXPENDITURE PLAN
3 DOES NOT PRIORITIZE CAPITAL PROJECTS AND PROGRAMS REQUIRED BY
4 PUBLIC UTILITIES CODE SECTION 130350.5(B-3). SECOND, THE
5 EXPENDITURE PLAN DOES NOT INCLUDE EACH PROJECT'S TOTAL
6 ESTIMATED COST REQUIRED BY SECTION 130350.5(F). AND A.D.1444,
7 SECTION 130350.6(E). FOR EXAMPLE THE FOOTHILL EXTENSION
8 PROJECT IS DEFINED FROM PASADENA TO CLAREMONT IN SECTION
9 130350.5 AND IN SECTION 16-A2, A4 OF ORDINANCE NUMBER 08-01.
10 HOWEVER THE EXPENDITURE PLAN IDENTIFIES ONLY A PORTION OF THE
11 FOOTHILL EXTENSION IN LINE ITEM 10 WITH A COST ESTIMATE OF
12 ONLY 758 MILLION. THIS IS JUST TO AZUSA, NOT TO CLAREMONT.
13 M.T.A.'S STAFF HAD PUBLICLY ACKNOWLEDGED THIS. NUMBER 3, THE
14 EXPENDITURE PLAN DOES NOT INCLUDE EACH PROJECT'S EXPECTED
15 COMPLETION DATE REQUIRED BY THE SAME SECTION, SECTIONS BOTH IN
16 130350.5 AND A.B.1447. FOR EXAMPLE, THE EXPECTED COMPLETION
17 DATE FOR THE FOOTHILL EXTENSION IS LISTED AS FISCAL YEAR 2015-
18 17. AGAIN THIS IS ONLY DOING AZUSA. 4, MEASURE R EXTENSION
19 FUNDS MUST BE FIRST PROGRAMMED TO LISTED PROJECTS. UNDER
20 A.B.1446 SECTION 130350.6(C), IT REQUIRES THE PROGRAMMING OF
21 THE MEASURE R SALES TAX EXTENSION FUNDS TO ACCELERATE PROJECTS
22 LISTED IN THE STATUTE. SECONDLY, IN SECTION 130350.4(C), IT
23 HAD ADDED FOUR ADDITIONAL LISTED PROJECTS AND CLASSIFIED THEM
24 AS OTHER HIGH PRIORITY PROJECTS IN ADDITION TO THOSE ALREADY
25 LISTED. THE EXPENDITURE PLAN DOES NOT APPLY MEASURE R SALES



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1 TAX TO ALL THE LISTED PROJECTS BUT FUNDS THREE OTHER UNLISTED
2 PROJECTS. FINALLY AND FIFTH, THE L.R.T.P. MADE THE FOOTHILL
3 EXTENSION TO CLAREMONT AND THE CRENSHAW L.A.X. TRANSIT
4 CORRIDOR PROJECTS M.T.A.'S FIRST PRIORITY FOR OBTAINING OTHER
5 SOURCES OF FUNDS FOR THESE PROJECTS. THE EXPENDITURE PLAN DOES
6 NOT PROGRAM ANY OF THESE TAX EXTENSION DOLLARS AS A NEW SOURCE
7 TO THESE PROJECTS.

8

9 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. MR. KRATTLI, I JUST
10 WANT TO UNDERSTAND, REFRESH EVERYONE'S MEMORY AND CERTAINLY
11 MINE ON WHAT THE PROCEDURE IS. THIS IS A MINISTERIAL ACT ON
12 THE PART OF THE BOARD, IS THAT CORRECT?

13

14 **JOHN KRATTLI, COUNSEL:** THAT IS CORRECT.

15

16 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WE ARE REQUIRED TO PLACE THIS ON
17 THE BALLOT, IS THAT CORRECT?

18

19 **JOHN KRATTLI:** YOUR BOARD UNDER THE ELECTION CODE IS REQUIRED
20 TO CONSOLIDATE THIS MEASURE ON THE NOVEMBER BALLOT UNLESS YOUR
21 BOARD MAKES A FACTUAL FINDING THAT THE BALLOT, STYLE, VOTING
22 EQUIPMENT OR COMPUTER CAPACITY IS SUCH THAT THIS MEASURE
23 CANNOT BE HANDLED ON THE BALLOT.

24



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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** AND HAS THE REGISTER-RECORDER
2 OPINED ON THAT LAST ISSUE?

3

4 **JOHN KRATTLI:** IT IS MY UNDERSTANDING THAT THE M.T.A. HAS
5 PREVIOUSLY BEEN IN CONTACT WITH THE REGISTRAR-RECORDER'S
6 OFFICE, AND I BELIEVE THEY HAVE DISCUSSED COST ESTIMATES AND
7 THAT THERE IS ADEQUATE CAPACITY. I AM INFORMED SOMEBODY FROM
8 THE REGISTRAR-RECORDER'S OFFICE IS HERE TODAY THAT COULD
9 ADDRESS THAT ISSUE.

10

11 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. WHY DON'T WE HAVE THE
12 REGISTRAR-RECORDER PERSON COME FORWARD. I HAVE SOME OTHER
13 QUESTIONS OF THE COUNTY COUNSEL. ASSUMING THAT WE HAVE THE
14 CAPACITY, WHICH APPARENTLY WE DO SINCE WE'RE PUTTING AN
15 ADVISORY MEASURE ON THE BALLOT AND POSSIBLY THE CONDOM ISSUE,
16 NOT POSSIBLY, WE WILL BE IN THE SAME POSITION ON THE CONDOM
17 ISSUE WE CONSIDER NEXT WEEK. AS LONG AS YOU'RE HERE, DO WE
18 HAVE THE CAPACITY TO HANDLE THE M.T.A.? DO YOU HAVE THE
19 CAPACITY TO HANDLE IT?

20

21 **DEBBIE MARTIN:** YES, WE DO.

22

23 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY, SO THE PROVISIONS OF THE
24 CODE THAT WOULD GIVE THE BOARD THE RIGHT NOT TO PUT IT ON ARE
25 NOT IN PLAY HERE?



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2 **DEBBIE MARTIN:** CORRECT.

3

4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. WHAT'S YOUR NAME?

5

6 **DEBBIE MARTIN:** DEBBIE MARTIN.

7

8 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WITH THE REGISTRAR-RECORDER'S
9 OFFICE.

10

11 **DEBBIE MARTIN:** I'M CHIEF DEPUTY OF THE REGISTRAR-RECORDER'S
12 OFFICE.

13

14 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU, DEBBIE. I'VE SPOKEN TO
15 YOU. I DIDN'T KNOW WHAT YOU LOOKED LIKE. THANK YOU. JOHN, WHAT
16 HAPPENS IF -- THE MOTION IS TO CONTINUE THIS TO AUGUST 7. WHAT
17 HAPPENS IF ON AUGUST 7 THE BOARD DOES NOT HAVE THREE VOTES TO
18 DO ANYTHING? INCLUDING PUTTING IT ON THE BALLOT, CONSOLIDATING
19 THE ELECTION?

20

21 **JOHN KRATTLI:** E-88 IS AUGUST 10. E-88 IS THE LAST DATE, THE
22 FINAL DATE IN WHICH A JURISDICTION, THIS BOARD, MAY REQUEST
23 THE CONSOLIDATION OF A MEASURE. SO YOUR BOARD HAS UP UNTIL
24 THAT DAY, AND AUGUST 7 IS YOUR BOARD'S LAST REGULARLY
25 SCHEDULED MEETING DATE. AND YOUR BOARD WOULD NEED TO TAKE AN



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1 ACTION ON THIS MEASURE ON THAT DATE OR SCHEDULE A SPECIAL
2 MEETING.

3

4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** MY QUESTION IS WHAT IF WE DON'T?

5

6 **JOHN KRATTLI:** IF YOU DON'T, THEN YOUR BOARD COULD BE SUBJECT
7 TO A LAWSUIT SEEKING A COURT TO ORDER YOUR BOARD TO TAKE AN
8 ACTION ON THIS MEASURE, ON THIS AGENDA ITEM.

9

10 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** AND BY WAITING UNTIL AUGUST 7, IN
11 THE EVENT WE DON'T -- THERE AREN'T THREE VOTES TO CONSOLIDATE
12 THE ELECTION, DOES THAT LEAVE ENOUGH TIME FOR METRO TO GO INTO
13 COURT AND GET A WRIT OR WHATEVER IT IS TO COMPEL US TO
14 CONSOLIDATE?

15

16 **JOHN KRATTLI:** WELL, IT MIGHT BE THAT THE METRO MIGHT DECIDE
17 THAT THEY WANTED TO FILE PAPERS IN ADVANCE OF THAT DATE AND
18 ASK THE COURT TO ORDER THIS BOARD TO ACT ON THAT DATE OR ACT
19 IN A SUFFICIENT TIME TO COMPLY WITH THE STATUTORY REQUIREMENT.

20

21 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** IF FOR SOME REASON NOTHING
22 HAPPENS, THE COURT DOESN'T ACT, THE BOARD DOESN'T ACT, THE
23 COURT DOESN'T ACT, DOES THE REGISTRAR-RECORDER HAVE ANY
24 REQUIREMENT TO CONDUCT AN ELECTION SEPARATE AND APART FROM OUR
25 OWN ELECTION?



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2 **JOHN KRATTLI:** THE REGISTRAR-RECORDER WOULD BE REQUIRED TO
3 CONDUCT A CONCURRENT ELECTION.

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5 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** A WHAT?

6

7 **JOHN KRATTLI:** A CONCURRENT ELECTION. IN THAT CASE, THERE WOULD
8 BE -- AND AGAIN, THE REGISTRAR-RECORDER COULD PROVIDE
9 ADDITIONAL DETAILS, BUT IN THAT CASE, IT IS MY UNDERSTANDING
10 THERE WOULD BE TWO BALLOTS, TWO VOTING BOOTHS, TWO SAMPLE
11 BALLOTS, TWO OF EVERYTHING. SO THAT WOULD BE THE NATURE OF A
12 CONCURRENT ELECTION.

13

14 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** AND WHAT IS THE ADDITIONAL COST OR
15 IS THERE ANY ADDITIONAL COST TO HAVING A CONCURRENT ELECTION
16 VERSUS A CONSOLIDATED ELECTION?

17

18 **JOHN KRATTLI:** I DON'T KNOW WHAT THE ADDITIONAL --

19

20 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** IS DEBBIE STILL HERE? COME ON
21 BACK.

22

23 **DEBBIE MARTIN:** THE COST FOR A CONSOLIDATED ELECTION IS
24 APPROXIMATELY 9 MILLION. THE COST FOR A CONCURRENT ELECTION
25 WILL BE ABOUT 19 MILLION.



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2 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** 9 MILLION FOR A CONSOLIDATED AND
3 19 FOR A CONCURRENT. \$10 MILLION MORE. WHO PAYS THE ADDED 10
4 MILLION?

5

6 **DEBBIE MARTIN:** WE WILL BILL IT.

7

8 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** TO THE M.T.A.?

9

10 **DEBBIE MARTIN:** YES.

11

12 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** I'M GLAD YOU FIND IT HUMOROUS. AS
13 MR. BRAUDE USED TO SAY, "I DON'T SEE THE HUMOR IN THIS." WE
14 WERE IN THIS SAME SITUATION IN 2008. MR. KNABE CAME TO HIS
15 SENSES, SAW REASON, AND DESPITE HIS OPPOSITION TO THE MEASURE
16 COMPLIED WITH THE LAW. AND I SURE HOPE WE DON'T HAVE THAT
17 SITUATION WHERE WE DON'T COMPLY WITH THE LAW. IT'S VERY CLEAR.
18 I THINK WE'LL HAVE TO DEAL WITH IT AT THE M.T.A. SIDE AND
19 THEY'LL NEED TO GET THEIR LEGAL ACT IN ORDER, WHICH I
20 UNDERSTAND IS WELL UNDERWAY.

21

22 **SUP. KNABE:** MR. CHAIR, SINCE YOU SAID I CAME TO MY SENSES.

23

24 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** I SAID IT TONGUE IN CHEEK, DON.

25



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1 **SUP. KNABE:** I KNOW. BUT I MEAN THE ISSUE BEING HERE DIFFERENT
2 SOMEWHAT IN THE SENSE THAT WE DO HAVE A SPECIAL MEETING
3 SCHEDULED PRIOR TO THE SEVENTH TO DISCUSS A VERY IMPORTANT
4 AMENDMENT THAT MANY MEMBERS OF THE M.T.A. BOARD CAST THEIR
5 BALLOT OR CAST THEIR VOTE IN FAVOR OF PUTTING THIS ON THE
6 BALLOT BASED UPON THAT AMENDMENT. AND THAT AMENDMENT REQUIRES
7 A SPECIAL MEETING PRIOR TO OUR TAKING FINAL ACTION ON THE
8 WHOLE INITIATIVE. SO THAT'S THE REASON. AND THAT MEETING HAS
9 NOT BEEN SCHEDULED, I UNDERSTAND, UNTIL THE SIXTH. AND THAT'S
10 THE REASON FOR THE CONTINUANCE TO THE SEVENTH, AM I CORRECT?

11

12 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** YES, THAT'S CORRECT. BUT WHETHER
13 THE BOARD VOTES TO ADOPT THAT AMENDMENT, WHICH I SUPPORT AND I
14 THINK WILL UNDOUBTEDLY BE APPROVED. BUT EVEN IF THEY DIDN'T,
15 WE HAVE, UNLESS THE BOARD OF THE M.T.A. DECIDES TO REVERSE
16 COURSE, WE HAVE A REQUEST FROM THE M.T.A. TO CONSOLIDATE THIS
17 ELECTION, WITH OR WITHOUT THE FASANO AMENDMENT.

18

19 **DEBBIE MARTIN:** CORRECT.

20

21 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** IS THERE ANY OTHER DISCUSSION? I'M
22 GOING TO -- YES, MRS. MOLINA?

23

24 **SUP. MOLINA:** IT'S AN ISSUE OF JUST CONSOLIDATING, NOT ABOUT
25 PUTTING ON THE AGENDA, NOT PUTTING IT ON THE BALLOT.



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2 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** I THINK THE TWO MEAN THE SAME
3 THING.

4

5 **SUP. MOLINA:** WHY IS IT THE M.T.A. HASN'T SCHEDULED THAT
6 MEETING?

7

8 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WHICH MEETING?

9

10 **SUP. MOLINA:** WHATEVER MEETING --

11

12 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** IT HAS BEEN SCHEDULED. AUGUST 6.

13

14 **SUP. MOLINA:** OKAY, SO IT'S SCHEDULED.

15

16 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** YES.

17

18 **SUP. MOLINA:** IT HASN'T BEEN HELD BUT IT'S SCHEDULED.

19

20 **SUP. KNABE:** YEAH.

21

22 **SUP. MOLINA:** AND THE ISSUE IS IT'S JUST A HEARING, IT ISN'T AN
23 ACTION ITEM, SO THERE'S NOTHING THAT COULD CHANGE THIS
24 OUTCOME.

25



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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** I BELIEVE YOU ARE CORRECT.

2

3 **SUP. KNABE:** IT'S AN ACTION ITEM. I MEAN TO INCLUDE IT IN THE
4 BALLOT INITIATIVE, THAT PARTICULAR FASANO LANGUAGE THAT WE
5 DISCUSSED AND THE BOARD SUPPORTED, THAT ACTION HAS TO BE
6 TAKEN. THAT'S THE REASON THEY HAD TO SCHEDULE A SPECIAL
7 MEETING.

8

9 **SUP. MOLINA:** BUT THE ACTION AGAIN ON THE FASANO LANGUAGE WAS
10 WHAT?

11

12 **SUP. KNABE:** TO INCLUDE IT IN BALLOT.

13

14 **SUP. MOLINA:** TO INCLUDE WHAT IN THE BALLOT?

15

16 **SUP. KNABE:** TO INCLUDE IN THE MEASURE R EXTENSION LANGUAGE.

17

18 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** AND I THINK WE VOTED TO DO THAT.
19 AND THEN THERE'S A HEARING. AND I THINK MS. MOLINA MAY BE
20 RIGHT, I'M NOT 100 PERCENT SURE.

21

22 **SUP. KNABE:** OKAY, WHATEVER, IT REQUIRES A HEARING.

23

24 **SUP. MOLINA:** I UNDERSTAND, BUT YOU ALREADY DECIDED TO DO THIS.

25



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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WE DID, AT THE LAST MEETING.

2

3 **SUP. MOLINA:** THAT'S CORRECT. SO I DON'T UNDERSTAND. I KNOW
4 WE'RE GOING TO HAVE A HEARING AND THAT'S FOR PUBLIC INPUT, BUT
5 AT THE SAME TIME IT WAS ALREADY INCLUDED IN THE LANGUAGE AS I
6 UNDERSTOOD IT. I JUST WANT TO MAKE THAT CLARIFICATION.

7

8 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** IT WILL BE INCLUDED IN THE
9 LANGUAGE PENDING THE PUBLIC HEARING. IF THE LANGUAGE IS
10 WRITTEN, IT'S ALL DONE.

11

12 **SUP. MOLINA:** I UNDERSTAND. BUT THE BOARD APPROVED IT WITH THE
13 LANGUAGE IN IT.

14

15 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THAT'S MY UNDERSTANDING. ALL
16 RIGHT. THERE'S A MOTION TO CONTINUE THIS UNTIL AUGUST 7. CALL
17 THE ROLL.

18

19 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** SUPERVISOR MOLINA?

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21 **SUP. MOLINA:** AYE.

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23 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** I'M SORRY DID YOU SAY AYE?

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25 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** SHE SAID AYE.



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2 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS?

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4 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** ON THE CONTINUANCE, CORRECT?

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6 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** YES.

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8 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** AYE.

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10 **SUP. MOLINA:** THIS IS ON THE MOTION TO CONTINUE.

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12 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** THIS IS ON THE MOTION TO CONTINUE, HE ASKED
13 TO CALL THE ROLL.

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15 **SUP. MOLINA:** AND I'M VOTING NO. I APOLOGIZE. I THOUGHT IT WAS
16 ON THE ITEM ITSELF.

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18 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY, NO PROBLEM.

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20 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** OKAY. SUPERVISOR KNABE?

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22 **SUP. KNABE:** AYE.

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24 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH?

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AYE.

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3 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY?

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5 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** NO. IT IS APPROVED. CONTINUED
6 UNTIL AUGUST 7. WHAT OTHER ITEMS ARE WE HOLDING? WE HAVE THE
7 D.H.S. REPORT? SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS?

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9 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN, ITEM NO. 9 IS A
10 MATTER THAT IS BEFORE US. I WISH TO ASK THAT IT BE CONTINUED
11 FOR ONE WEEK. AND THERE ARE AMENDING -- THERE IS AMENDING
12 LANGUAGE THAT HAS BEEN SUBMITTED FOR EVERYONE'S CONSIDERATION
13 AT WHICH TIME WE CAN PICK IT UP AND DISPOSE OF IT. THE REQUEST
14 COMES BY ONE OF THE BOARD OFFICERS TO HAVE A LITTLE MORE TIME
15 TO LOOK AT IT AND THAT'S FINE WITH ME.

16

17 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** I'M SORRY. YOU WANT TO CONTINUE IT
18 ONE WEEK?

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20 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** YES.

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22 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. WITHOUT OBJECTION, THE
23 ITEM WILL BE CONTINUED ONE WEEK. ALL RIGHT. ITEM 44. IS DR.
24 KATZ HERE?

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** MR. CHAIRMAN, WHILE THEY'RE COMING UP, COULD
2 WE ALSO HAVE OUR COUNTY COUNSEL DRAFT A REPLY TO THE LEGAL
3 ANALYSIS THAT WAS PRESENTED BY THE ATTORNEY FOR THE
4 CONSTRUCTION AUTHORITY FOR THE BOARD?

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6 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ON THAT, THAT REALLY ISN'T THE
7 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS PURVIEW, MIKE.

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9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WELL, IT MAY BE, IT MAY NOT BE.

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11 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** IT'S THE M.T.A.'S PURVIEW. WHY
12 DON'T WE HAVE CHARLES SAFER RESPOND TO IT?

13

14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** I THINK BOTH. THEY WORK IN THE SAME OFFICE.
15 TWO LAWYERS HAVE A DIFFERENCE OF OPINION.

16

17 **JOHN KRATTLI:** MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, I WOULD PROPOSE TO WORK
18 WITH MR. SAFER, HE IS PART OF THE OFFICE, AND PREPARE A
19 RESPONSE THAT WOULD BE ONE AND THE SAME.

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21 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT, FINE. DR. KATZ?

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23 **DR. MITCHELL KATZ:** YES. GOOD AFTERNOON, CHAIR, MEMBERS OF THE
24 BOARD, DR. MITCH KATZ, DIRECTOR OF HEALTH SERVICES. THERE'S
25 BEEN A LOT OF ATTENTION ABOUT THE RECENT SUPREME COURT



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1 DECISION, A LOT OF GOOD QUESTIONS FROM YOUR OFFICES ABOUT HOW
2 ALL OF THIS IS GOING TO AFFECT BOTH THE OPERATION OF HEALTH
3 SERVICES AND THE FINANCING OF IT. THERE ARE A HUGE NUMBER OF
4 UNKNOWNNS AND A LOT THAT I HOPE THAT YOU WILL HELP US ON IN
5 TERMS OF ADVOCACY ON BEHALF OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY AS WE MOVE
6 FORWARD. SO THE SUPREME COURT DECISION ITSELF HAS -- ALLOWS
7 THE A.C.A. TO GO FORWARD PRETTY MUCH AS WRITTEN FOR CALIFORNIA
8 BECAUSE WE KNOW THAT CALIFORNIA IS INTERESTED IN DOING THE
9 MEDICAID EXPANSION. OTHER STATES SUCH AS FLORIDA AND TEXAS ARE
10 ALREADY ON RECORD AS SAYING THEY'RE NOT GOING TO DO THE
11 MEDICAID EXPANSION. SO THE BIGGEST DIFFERENCE FOR US AFTER THE
12 A.C.A. GOES INTO EFFECT IN 2014 IS THAT ALL OF THE PEOPLE WHO
13 ARE CURRENTLY IN HEALTHY WAY L.A., FOR WHICH WE CURRENTLY GET
14 50 CENTS, WE WILL START TO GET A DOLLAR. AND THAT'S A VERY
15 GOOD THING. SO WE WILL HAVE A HIGHER AMOUNT OF REVENUE FROM
16 THAT PROGRAM. IT WILL ALSO BE BETTER FOR THE CLIENTS, THE
17 PATIENTS, BECAUSE THEY WILL NOW BE ABLE TO USE OTHER HOSPITALS
18 AS THEY NEED IT. THEY'LL HAVE BROADER CHOICE, WHICH IS, I
19 THINK, A VERY POSITIVE THING FOR THEM. WHEN THE A.C.A. WAS
20 WRITTEN IN WASHINGTON, PEOPLE WERE LOOKING FOR HOW ARE YOU
21 GOING TO FUND THIS? AND ONE OF THE MAJOR SOURCES OF MONEY USED
22 TO FUND IT ARE THE SO-CALLED "DISH" DOLLARS, DISPROPORTIONATE
23 SHARE HOSPITAL DOLLARS. AND THE ARGUMENT GOES AS FOLLOWS:
24 YOU'RE GOING TO GET A LOT MORE PEOPLE WITH MEDICAID, COUNTIES
25 AND STATES, FOR PEOPLE WHO YOU ONCE PAID THE WHOLE BILL,



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1 THEREFORE YOU DON'T NEED SO MANY DOLLARS FROM DISPROPORTIONATE
2 SHARE HOSPITALS, SO WE'LL USE THAT MONEY TO FUND THE A.C.A.
3 AND IN GENERAL I THINK THAT'S A GOOD DECISION. WE SHOULDN'T
4 JUST FUND A DEFICIT AT HOSPITALS, WE SHOULD GIVE PEOPLE
5 INSURANCE AND LET THEM CHOOSE THEIR PROVIDER AND GET CARE. SO
6 IT'S A GOOD DECISION, BUT IT MEANS THAT THERE IS A TREMENDOUS
7 AT-RISK. AT THE MOMENT, THERE ARE NO WRITTEN GUIDELINES ON HOW
8 THE D.S.H. CUTS WILL OCCUR, NONE, DESPITE THE FACT THAT THIS
9 IS SO MOMENTOUS. IT'S NOT CLEAR, FOR EXAMPLE, EVEN WHETHER OR
10 NOT IT WILL BE SEPARATELY DONE BY STATES WHEREBY, SAY, FOR
11 EXAMPLE, CERTAIN STATES ARE GIVEN LARGER OR SMALLER CUTS BASED
12 UPON THEIR NUMBER OF UNINSURED, WHETHER IT WILL BE BY
13 INSTITUTION, SUCH AS THESE KINDS OF HOSPITALS WILL CONTINUE TO
14 BE ELIGIBLE WHILE OTHER KINDS OF HOSPITALS WILL NOT BE
15 ELIGIBLE. WHAT WE KNOW IS THAT THE POT SHRINKS. WE JUST DON'T
16 KNOW WHETHER WE GET OUR SHARE, MORE THAN OUR SHARE, LESS THAN
17 OUR SHARE. FOR EXAMPLE, ONE OF THE CONCERNS THAT PEOPLE HAD
18 AFTER THE SUPREME COURT DECISION, WHICH WOULD BE A VERY
19 UNFAVORABLE INTERPRETATION FOR CALIFORNIA AND FOR US, THE WAY
20 THE A.C.A. WAS WRITTEN, IT SAYS THAT THE DISPROPORTIONATE
21 SHARE DOLLARS SHOULD CONTINUE TO GO TO THOSE PLACES THAT HAVE
22 THE MOST UNCOMPENSATED CARE. NOW, FOR EXAMPLE, WE WOULD SAY
23 THAT'S LOS ANGELES BECAUSE WE HAVE A LARGE NUMBER OF
24 UNDOCUMENTED, MORE THAN ANYONE ELSE IN CALIFORNIA, THEREFORE
25 YOU WOULD THINK THAT THE D.S.H. CUT SHOULD AFFECT US LESS. WE



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1 SHOULD GET MORE OF THE MONEY BECAUSE WE HAVE SO MANY
2 UNCOMPENSATED. ALSO REMEMBER THAT SOME DISTRICT HOSPITALS GET
3 D.S.H. DOLLARS AND SOME PRIVATE HOSPITALS GET D.S.H. DOLLARS,
4 THEY DON'T HAVE NEARLY AS MANY UNINSURED AS WE DO. SO AGAIN,
5 YOU WOULD THINK THAT WE WOULD GET A MUCH SMALLER CUT. AFTER
6 THE SUPREME COURT DECISION, THEN PEOPLE RAISED THE QUESTION:
7 WELL IF A STATE LIKE TEXAS DOESN'T TAKE THE MEDICAID
8 EXPANSION, DO THEY BECOME A STATE THAT THEREFORE HAS A LOT
9 MORE UNCOMPENSATED CARE THAN CALIFORNIA? VERY INTERESTING
10 LEGAL ARGUMENT. CLEARLY NOT WHAT WAS INTENDED. BUT COULD BE A
11 LAY READING OF THIS. CALIFORNIA IMPLEMENTS MEDICAID EXPANSION.
12 OUR NUMBERS OF UNINSURED DRAMATICALLY SHRINK. TEXAS AND
13 FLORIDA DO NOT, HAVE LARGE NUMBERS OF UNCOMPENSATED CARE. IS
14 C.M.S., WHICH IS THE GROUP THAT WOULD WRITE THE REGULATION,
15 ARE THEY THEN REQUIRED TO SAY WELL MORE OF THAT MONEY SHOULD
16 GO TO STATES LIKE TEXAS AND FLORIDA? THAT WOULD BE A KEY PLACE
17 FOR THIS BOARD AND THE C.E.O.'S LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS TO BE
18 SAYING, NO, YOU CAN'T PENALIZE A STATE LIKE CALIFORNIA AND A
19 COUNTY LIKE LOS ANGELES BECAUSE WE WENT FORWARD AND THOSE
20 STATES DIDN'T. BUT IT REMAINS SIMPLY TRUE THAT WE CANNOT SAY
21 HOW WE WILL BE AFFECTED. THEN THE 1115 WAIVER WE ASSUME WILL
22 CONTINUE IN SOME FORM PAST THE 2014, BUT OF COURSE IT'S
23 COMPLETELY UNNEGOTIATED NOW. WE KNOW THAT LOS ANGELES WILL
24 CONTINUE TO HAVE A LARGE NUMBER OF UNINSURED PEOPLE, MANY MORE
25 THAN OTHER COUNTIES IN CALIFORNIA, SO THEREFORE OUR HOSPITALS



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1 WILL BE AFFECTED. SO ALL OF THAT SUGGESTS THAT THERE WILL ALSO
2 BE DECREASES WHILE THERE ARE INCREASES. OTHER THINGS TO WATCH
3 IS WHAT'S THE RATES FOR THE MEDICAID? RIGHT, SO WE SAY THAT
4 THESE PEOPLE ARE UNINSURED NOW, THAT THEY'RE GOING TO GET
5 MEDICAID, AND IT'S 100 PERCENT. BUT THAT DOESN'T ACTUALLY MEAN
6 IT WOULD BE 100 PERCENT OF YOUR EXPENSES. THAT MEANS THE
7 FEDERAL GOVERNMENT, RATHER THAN THE STATE, WILL BE PAYING THE
8 BILL. BUT THERE'S NOTHING TO KEEP THE STATE OR THE FEDERAL
9 GOVERNMENT FROM SHRINKING THE PAYMENT. SO WE COULD GET A 100
10 PERCENT PAYMENT FOR A HOSPITAL DAY THAT IS LESS THAN WHAT YOU
11 GET FOR 50 CENTS ON YOUR ACTUAL EXPENSES. THAT REMAINS ANOTHER
12 HUGE UNKNOWN. HOW WILL THE STATE FEEL ABOUT THIS? WE'VE
13 ALREADY HEARD FROM THE STATE THAT THEY FEEL THAT THEY SHOULD
14 BE ABLE TO DECREASE THE COUNTY RE-ALIGNMENT DOLLARS. BUT
15 HERE'S ANOTHER PLACE WHERE WE WILL NEED BOARD SUPPORT AT THE
16 STATE LEGISLATURE. SO THE ARGUMENT THERE GOES: WELL RE-
17 ALIGNMENT WAS DONE WHEN COUNTIES WERE GIVEN THE RESPONSIBILITY
18 TO CARE FOR UNINSURED PATIENTS, WHAT WAS ONCE A STATE
19 RESPONSIBILITY. STATE SAYS OKAY, WE WILL -- YOU COUNTIES, YOU
20 HAVE THE RESPONSIBILITY AND WE'LL GIVE YOU MONEY. NOW, THAT
21 MONEY NEVER REALLY FULLY COVERED THE COST, BUT IT CERTAINLY
22 WAS HELPFUL. NOW WE'RE HEARING FROM AT THE STATE LEVEL, AS YOU
23 KNOW, HUGE DEFICIT, STATE SAYING, WELL COUNTY, YOU'RE GOING TO
24 GET ALL THIS MONEY. WELL WE WANT SOME OF IT OR WE WANT SOME OF
25 OUR OWN RE-ALIGNMENT BACK. SO HERE, TOO, WOULD BE AN



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1 OPPORTUNITY WHERE WE'RE GOING TO REALLY NEED THE BOARD'S
2 SUPPORT. SO I HAVE GIVEN YOU OUR BEST ATTEMPT IN YOUR PACKET
3 TO ESTIMATE. IF YOU TAKE BEST GUESSES ON HOW MUCH WE'LL GAIN
4 AND YOU TAKE BEST GUESSES ON HOW MUCH WE'LL LOSE. SO THIS IS
5 NEITHER A BEST CASE SCENARIO NOR A WORST CASE SCENARIO. WE DID
6 THIS AS A MOST LIKELY CASE SCENARIO, WE COME ABOUT \$50 MILLION
7 AHEAD. OF COURSE NOT SURPRISINGLY AS THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT, WE
8 WOULD HOPE TO USE SOME OF THIS MONEY IN ORDER TO IMPROVE
9 SERVICES AND INCREASE ACCESS BECAUSE WE'RE NOT CURRENTLY DOING
10 WHAT WE WANT TO BE DOING. WE STILL HAVE LONG WAITS FOR CERTAIN
11 KINDS OF SERVICES. WE'RE STILL NOT DOING AS MUCH OUTREACH. BUT
12 I ALSO, OF COURSE, UNDERSTAND THE COUNTY WILL HAVE TO WEIGH,
13 ALL OF YOU WILL HAVE TO MAKE YOUR OWN DECISIONS AS THAT MONEY
14 BECOMES AVAILABLE, WHAT YOU BELIEVE THE BEST USE OF IT IS
15 GOING FORWARD. WITH THAT, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, I'M HAPPY TO
16 TAKE ANY RECOMMENDATIONS OR SUGGESTIONS YOU HAVE OR ANSWER ANY
17 QUESTIONS.

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19 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. SUPERVISOR KNABE?

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21 **SUP. KNABE:** IF THE COUNTY IS GOING TO BE RECEIVING SOME
22 REIMBURSEMENT FROM THESE NEWLY INSURED COUNTY RESIDENTS AND
23 YOU TALK ABOUT THIS POTENTIAL OF \$50 MILLION, WOULD THAT GIVE
24 THE DEPARTMENT A CHANCE TO REDUCE ITS OVERMATCH OF GENERAL
25 FUND NEEDS AS IT RELATES TO THE OVERALL BUDGET?



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DR. MITCHELL KATZ: RIGHT. WELL THAT WOULD BE IN YOUR HANDS. SO
YOU WOULD BE IN -- WE DID THIS ON THE '14/'15 YEAR BECAUSE IT
GOES INTO EFFECT JANUARY '14. SO IT'S SIX MONTHS, AND IT WAS
JUST TOO HARD TO TRY TO FIGURE OUT IN SIX MONTHS UNDER ONE
SYSTEM AND SIX MONTHS UNDER THE OTHER SYSTEM. BUT IF WE'RE IN
THIS PLACE TOGETHER AND LET'S SAY ALL OF THESE PROJECTIONS ARE
RIGHT FOR THE FOLLOWING YEAR, IF YOU WANTED TO KEEP US AT OUR
CURRENT LEVEL OF SERVICE PRODUCTION, YOU WOULD HAVE \$53
MILLION EXTRA TO USE ANY WAY YOU AS A BOARD WANTED TO USE IT.
I MEAN IT'S YOUR MONEY TO APPROPRIATE.

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SUP. KNABE: SO IN THE SHRINKING, THE POTENTIAL OF THE
SHRINKING OF THE PAYMENTS EITHER BY THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT OR
THE STATE GOVERNMENT IN PARTICULAR, IS THAT ONCE AGAIN ANOTHER
TAKING FROM THEM AS IT RELATES TO BALANCING THEIR OWN BUDGET?
I MEAN, WOULD THAT BE AN OPPORTUNITY FOR A MONEY GRAB ONCE
AGAIN FROM THE STATE ON THE BACKS OF THE COUNTIES IN THE STATE
THAT UNDER THE AFFORDABLE HEALTHCARE ACT ARE OBLIGATED TO
PERFORM?

21

DR. MITCHELL KATZ: ABSOLUTELY. SEE, I DIDN'T IN THAT CHART PUT
RE-ALIGNMENT BECAUSE TECHNICALLY RE-ALIGNMENT IS NOT PART OF
THE CONVERSATION, RIGHT? REALIGNMENT IS NOT THE A.C.A. THAT'S
THE STATE GIVING MONEY TO THE COUNTIES. BUT OF COURSE THERE'S



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1 NOTHING THAT FORCES THAT RE-ALIGNMENT. THE STATE CAN DECREASE
2 THOSE PAYMENTS. SO THEY COULD SAY, OKAY, COUNTY OF LOS
3 ANGELES, YOU'RE GOING TO GAIN ALL OF THIS MONEY UNDER
4 MEDICAID. WE'RE DECREASING YOUR REALIGNMENT, IN WHICH CASE YOU
5 WITH NO LONGER HAVE THAT 50 MILLION.

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7 **SUP. KNABE:** WELL THE GOOD NEWS IS POTENTIALLY MORE PEOPLE WILL
8 HAVE INSURANCE. THE BAD NEWS IS WHAT WOULD THAT NUMBER BE IF
9 THOSE THAT WOULD BE UNINSURED? AND THE OTHER CONCERN THAT I
10 HAVE IS I THINK IT'S A GOOD OPPORTUNITY FOR THE COUNTY AS WE
11 CAN DEAL WITH THE CULTURE OF THE COUNTY HOSPITALS AND WE HAVE
12 INCREDIBLE CENTERS OF EXCELLENCE. WE JUST FOUND OUT YESTERDAY
13 THAT RANCHO ONCE AGAIN IS ONE OF THE TOP REHAB HOSPITALS IN
14 AMERICA. BUT THE POINT BEING IS WHEN THEY HAVE A CHOICE, THESE
15 NEW INSURED, THAT DOESN'T NECESSARILY MEAN THEY'RE GOING TO
16 CHOOSE COUNTY FACILITIES. AND SO WHAT ARE THE ISSUES THAT WE
17 HAVE TO ASSOCIATE WITH THAT AS IT RELATES TO FOLKS NOW IF THEY
18 ARE INSURED AND WE'RE NOT LEFT HOLDING THE BAG ONCE AGAIN WITH
19 THOSE NEWLY INSURED, THOSE TOTALLY UNINSURED AND THAT'S ALL
20 THE PATIENTS WE GET.

21

22 **DR. MITCHELL KATZ:** RIGHT. SUPERVISORS, I VERY MUCH HOPE THAT
23 THIS FACT OF THE PATIENTS HAVING CHOICE WILL BRING A TRUE
24 CULTURAL REVOLUTION WITHIN D.H.S. AND I'VE CERTAINLY BEEN
25 WORKING TOWARD THAT. AND THE FIVE OF YOU HAVE BEEN INCREDIBLY



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1 HELPFUL. I THINK IT'S INCREDIBLY PERNICIOUS FOR A SYSTEM TO
2 BELIEVE THAT IT TAKES CARE OF PEOPLE ONLY IF THEY HAVE NO
3 CHOICE. BECAUSE WHAT WE WANT IS A SYSTEM THAT'S GOOD ENOUGH
4 FOR ANYONE TO GO TO AND TO FEEL THAT THEY'RE GETTING GREAT
5 CARE. AND IF YOU LOOK AT WHAT MATTERS TO PEOPLE, IT ISN'T THE
6 MAUVE WALLS AND THE FANCY RECESSED LIGHTING. SO IN ORDER FOR A
7 COUNTY TO SUCCEED, YOU DON'T NECESSARILY HAVE TO HAVE ALL OF
8 THE AMENITIES: GOURMET FOODS, VALET PARKING. ACTUALLY IN THE
9 SURVEYS, THAT ISN'T WHAT MATTERS. IF YOU LOOK AT WHAT PEOPLE
10 SAY, NUMBER 1 IS THEIR OWN DOCTOR. WHICH IS WHY WE PUT SO MUCH
11 OF AN EFFORT ON THE HOME, MEDICAL HOMES, AND TRYING TO CREATE
12 A BOND. AND AS YOU KNOW, A YEAR AND A HALF AGO, WE DIDN'T HAVE
13 A SINGLE IMPANELED PATIENT IN D.H.S. IT JUST WASN'T DONE.
14 PATIENTS WENT AND THEY SAW WHO THEY SAW. NOW WE HAVE 240,000
15 PATIENTS WHO ARE IMPANELED TO A SPECIFIC PROVIDER. AND IT'S
16 BECAUSE THE SURVEY SHOWED THAT'S WHAT CREATES STICKINESS, IF
17 YOU FEEL LIKE YOU HAVE A GOOD DOCTOR. AND YOU AS A BOARD,
18 YOU'VE BUILT SOME BEAUTIFUL FACILITIES. THEY'RE RELATIVE TO
19 MOST COUNTIES, THE FACILITIES, THE HOSPITALS HERE, BOTH THE
20 ONES YOU HAVE NOW AND THE ONES YOU'VE BUILT, THEY'RE HIGH
21 QUALITY, BEAUTIFUL. I MEAN THE L.A.C.+U.S. C. IS AS BEAUTIFUL
22 A HOSPITAL AS YOU WOULD FIND ANYWHERE. AND WE'RE BUILDING A
23 BRAND NEW HARBOR, WE'RE UPGRADING OLIVE VIEW AND RANCHO. I
24 MEAN, THE PHYSICAL IS GOOD. WE ALSO HAVE MORE BOARD CERTIFIED
25 PHYSICIANS THAN ALMOST ANY OTHER GROUP. WE HAVE GOOD ACADEMIC



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1 AFFILIATIONS. WE SHOULD BE REALLY TERRIFIC. THERE'S NO BARRIER
2 TO IT. EXCEPT THE ATTITUDE OF GOOD ENOUGH. PEOPLE COME HERE.
3 THEY WAIT, THEY WAIT, THEY HAVE NOTHING ELSE TO DO, THEY'RE
4 NOT WORKING, ANYWAY. AND I THINK THAT CAN BE COUNTERED. AND I
5 THINK THE A.C.A. SAYS, AND I'M VERY EXPLICIT TO PEOPLE: IF OUR
6 SERVICES ARE NOT GOOD ENOUGH FOR PEOPLE TO CHOOSE, THEN THEY
7 SHOULDN'T CHOOSE US, THEY WON'T CHOOSE US, THEY WILL GO OTHER
8 PLACES AND WE WON'T NEED THESE CLINICS, WE WON'T NEED THESE
9 HOSPITALS. THERE WON'T BE A REVENUE SOURCE TO SUPPORT THIS
10 LEVEL. I MEAN, THERE WILL ALWAYS BE A NEED FOR SOME LEVEL
11 BECAUSE THEY'LL REMAIN PEOPLE WHO ARE UNINSURED. BUT MAYBE WE
12 ONLY HAVE TO BE HALF AS BIG. AND THAT MEANS A LOSS OF A
13 TREMENDOUS NUMBER OF JOBS. BUT I THINK PEOPLE HEAR THAT AND
14 THEY CAN ALSO REVERBERATE WITH THE "I WANT TO BE GREAT." MOST
15 PEOPLE WANT TO BE GREAT. THEY DON'T WANT TO BE MEDIOCRE. AND I
16 THINK THIS IS OUR OPPORTUNITY TO SAY WE'RE ALL ALIGNED. WE'RE
17 GOING TO BE GREAT. WE HAVE ENOUGH TIME THAT WE SHOULD BE ABLE
18 TO PULL THIS OFF IN TIME FOR PEOPLE HAVING CHOICE.

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20 **SUP. KNABE:** FINALLY, THE FACT THAT THE D.S.H. HOSPITALS, OR
21 DISPROPORTIONAL SHARE HOSPITALS, ARE GOING TO HAVE A PRETTY
22 DRAMATIC REDUCTION IN FUNDING, HOW WILL THOSE HOSPITALS BE
23 REIMBURSED FOR THE UNINSURED?

24

25 **DR. MITCHELL KATZ:** WELL --



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2 **SUP. KNABE:** BECAUSE UP TO NOW, THEY HAVE SORT OF BEEN OUR
3 PARTNERS.

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5 **DR. MITCHELL KATZ:** RIGHT. RIGHT. SO THE THEORY IS BASICALLY IN
6 A SIMILAR WAY, IT'S JUST YOU'RE GOING TO HAVE SO MANY FEWER
7 UNINSURED PEOPLE, YOU ONLY NEED HALF AS MUCH MONEY. I MEAN,
8 THAT'S AS MUCH THOUGHT AS ANYONE HAS GIVEN IT. WE'RE GOING TO
9 CUT D.S.H. IN HALF ON THE IDEA THAT YOU'LL HAVE HALF AS MANY
10 UNINSURED PEOPLE. AND WHAT ADVOCATES LIKE, FOR COUNTIES LIKE
11 ME AND I KNOW YOU'LL JOIN ME IN SAYING IS: YES, BUT LET'S
12 REMEMBER, EVERYBODY'S DISPROPORTIONATE PERCENTAGE IS NOT THE
13 SAME. LOS ANGELES HAS AND WILL HAVE MANY MORE UNINSURED PEOPLE
14 BECAUSE OF MORE PEOPLE WHO DON'T QUALIFY UNDER THE A.C.A. THAN
15 OTHER COUNTIES. AND PUBLIC HOSPITALS HAVE MANY, MANY MORE
16 UNINSURED PEOPLE THAN NONPROFIT HOSPITALS IN LOW INCOME
17 NEIGHBORHOODS AND THEN DISTRICT HOSPITALS, AND THEREFORE IT
18 CAN'T BE EVERYBODY GETS HALF. IT SHOULD LOOK AT HOW MANY
19 UNINSURED PEOPLE ARE YOU STILL TAKING CARE OF? IN WHICH CASE
20 MAYBE OUR CUT WOULD NOT BE AS BIG.

21

22 **SUP. KNABE:** I MEAN HOPEFULLY THAT'S THE WAY IT WORKS OUT
23 BECAUSE I MEAN OTHERWISE THAT'S THE BIG CONCERN THERE. THE
24 GOOD NEWS I SAID ON THE OTHER SIDE IS THAT WE'LL HAVE MORE
25 INSURED PATIENTS. BUT THEN WE NEED THE CULTURAL REVOLUTION



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1 WITHIN OUR FACILITIES AND CLINICS TO MAKE SURE THAT WHEN THOSE
2 PATIENTS HAVE A CHOICE, THAT THEY DO COME TO US AND WE'RE NOT
3 LEFT WITH THAT AT THE END OF THE DAY, THE TOTALLY UNINSURED.
4 IT MAY BE A SMALLER POT BUT IT'S GOING TO BE A LOT MORE
5 EXPENSIVE.

6

7 **DR. MITCHELL KATZ:** THAT'S RIGHT, SIR.

8

9 **SUP. KNABE:** THANK YOU.

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11 **DR. MITCHELL KATZ:** THANK YOU.

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13 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** MR. RIDLEY-THOMAS?

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15 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** MR. CHAIRMAN, I WISH TO ACKNOWLEDGE THE
16 FINE PRESENTATION MADE BY DR. KATZ. I WANT TO MAKE ONE COMMENT
17 AND THEN POSE A QUESTION. THE COMMENT IS AS FOLLOWS: WHAT I
18 THINK I'M HEARING IS THAT THE A.C.A. HAS THE POTENTIAL TO
19 INSPIRE COMPETITION BETWEEN COMPETING VENUES, PUBLIC SECTOR,
20 PRIVATE SECTOR IN SUCH A WAY THAT THE NEWLY INSURED WILL BE
21 ABLE TO SHOP FOR THE BEST SERVICES THAT THEY CAN FIND. THIS IS
22 AN INTERESTING OUTCOME POTENTIALLY IN LIGHT OF THE FACT THAT
23 MANY OF THE CRITICS AND/OR DETRACTORS, CALL THEM WHAT YOU
24 WILL, HARDLY ANTICIPATED THAT THE A.C.A., ALL OF THE DEBATE
25 ABOUT HEALTH REFORM, WOULD ULTIMATELY INSPIRE COMPETITION SUCH



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1 THAT PATIENTS COULD INDEED GET THE BEST SERVICES THAT THEIR
2 INSURANCE WOULD AFFORD THEM. AND I THINK IT'S IMPORTANT THAT
3 WE UNDERSTAND THAT AND DOCUMENT THAT ACCORDINGLY. THE NOTION
4 WAS THAT THIS WOULD BE EFFECTIVELY REDUCIBLE TO GOVERNMENT-RUN
5 HEALTHCARE ACROSS THE NATION. AS WE ANTICIPATE, IT WILL BE
6 JUST THE OPPOSITE OF THAT. GOVERNMENT WILL HAVE TO COMPETE.
7 OUR HOSPITALS WILL HAVE TO STAND UP TO THE HIGHEST POSSIBLE
8 QUALITY OF CARE AVAILABLE. AND FROM MY POINT OF VIEW, THAT IS
9 A GOOD THING. AND TO THE EXTENT THAT THAT IS THE CASE, I THINK
10 THE WISDOM OF THE A.C.A. WILL BE MADE ABUNDANTLY MANIFEST TO
11 ALL WHO WOULD HAVE AN OPEN MIND AND LOOK AT THE REALITIES AS
12 THEY WILL PRESENT THEMSELVES. THERE WAS A WHOLE LOT OF
13 RHETORIC ABOUT THE DEMERITS OF THIS PROPOSAL. BUT I THINK IF
14 YOU INSPIRE COMPETITION, UNDER ORDINARY CIRCUMSTANCES, IT'S
15 GOING TO BE A GOOD THING. AND I THINK IT WILL BE A GOOD THING
16 IN THIS INSTANCE. THAT WILL BE MY COMMENT, MR. CHAIRMAN AND
17 COLLEAGUES. MY QUESTION IS ABOUT THE HEALTH BENEFITS EXCHANGE
18 IN THE WAY IN WHICH THE COUNTY ITSELF MIGHT BE ABLE TO
19 PARTICIPATE. PERHAPS YOU CAN COMMENT ON THAT.

20

21 **DR. MITCHELL KATZ:** THANKS FOR YOUR COMMENT AND FOR THE
22 QUESTION. SO THE HEALTH EXCHANGES ARE AVAILABLE FOR PEOPLE WHO
23 ARE 100 PERCENT FEDERAL POVERTY LEVEL UP TO 400 PERCENT OF THE
24 FEDERAL POVERTY LEVEL WITH THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT SUBSIDIZING.
25 SO THERE'S SOME OVERLAP BECAUSE THE MEDICAID POPULATION GOES



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1 FROM ZERO TO 133 PERCENT OF POVERTY. SO PEOPLE BETWEEN 100 AND
2 133 WILL HAVE TWO CHOICES: TO JOIN MEDICAID OR TO JOIN IN ONE
3 OF THE EXCHANGES. WE HOPE THAT THE COUNTY AND THAT YOU WILL
4 WANT US TO BE ACTIVELY INVOLVED AS A CHOICE IN THE EXCHANGES.
5 AGAIN, I BELIEVE THAT THE FACILITIES AND THE PEOPLE OF THIS
6 DEPARTMENT WILL RISE TO THAT OCCASION AND BE ABLE TO PROVIDE
7 GREAT CARE. I THINK THE EXCHANGES ALSO, SUPERVISOR, SUPPORT
8 YOUR COMMENT THAT THE A.C.A. DOES NOT DECREASE CHOICES BECAUSE
9 UNDER THE EXCHANGES, PEOPLE WILL BE ABLE TO CHOOSE BOTH
10 PRIVATE PROVIDERS, PUBLIC PROVIDERS, MANAGED CARE PROVIDERS
11 LIKELY LIKE KAISER AS WELL AS MORE TRADITIONAL DOCTOR OFFICES
12 PROVIDERS. AS YOU KNOW, THEY'RE STILL IN THE VERY EARLIEST
13 STAGES OF PLANNING THE EXCHANGE. CALIFORNIA WAS THE FIRST OUT
14 OF THE BOX. BUT IT'S A HUGE UNDERTAKING. SO WE DON'T YET HAVE
15 DETAILS. BUT WE HAVE SAID THAT WE WANT TO BE PART OF THAT
16 SOLUTION.

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18 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN. THANK YOU DR.
19 KATZ.

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21 **DR. MITCHELL KATZ:** THANK YOU.

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23 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU, OTHER QUESTIONS,
24 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH AND THEN SUPERVISOR MOLINA.

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** DR. KATZ, HAS THE LEGISLATIVE STAFF TAKEN ANY
2 ACTIONS TO SUPPORT THE FEDERAL LEGISLATION TO ESTABLISH
3 MEDICAL MALPRACTICE REFORM OR TO ALLOW THE INTERSTATE PURCHASE
4 OF HEALTH PLANS?

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6 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** WE HAVE NOT PUSHED FOR LEGISLATION TO ADDRESS
7 MEDICAL MALPRACTICE. THE SECOND HALF OF YOUR QUESTION I'D HAVE
8 TO CHECK WITH OUR STAFF AND PROBABLY REPORT BACK TO YOU.

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10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SO WE HAVE ON THE MALPRACTICE?

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12 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** WE HAVE NOT.

13

14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** I THOUGHT THAT WAS PART OF OUR PACKAGE
15 BECAUSE OF THE SUCCESS THAT CALIFORNIA'S HAD WITH THE
16 LEGISLATION THAT CONGRESSMAN HOWARD BERMAN AND I WERE INVOLVED
17 WITH WHEN WE WERE WITH THE STATE LEGISLATURE.

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19 **DR. MITCHELL KATZ:** SUPERVISOR, MAYBE I CAN ADD TO MR.
20 FUJIOKA'S COMMENT. SO YOU'RE RIGHT THAT THE MICRO LAWS IN
21 CALIFORNIA, AND I DIDN'T KNOW THAT YOU WERE INVOLVED, THAT WAS
22 A WONDERFUL --

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24 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** I WAS VICE CHAIRMAN OF THE COMMITTEE, YES.

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1 **DR. MITCHELL KATZ:** IT'S MADE A HUGE DIFFERENCE. AND BECAUSE OF
2 THAT, ESPECIALLY FOR EXAMPLE, OBSTETRICIANS ACROSS CALIFORNIA
3 WERE READY TO GO OUT OF THEIR CAREERS.

4

5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** HOWARD BERMAN DID AN EXTRAORDINARY JOB AS THE
6 CHAIRMAN OF THE COMMITTEE. IT WAS A SELECT COMMITTEE AND THE
7 LEGISLATURE THAT WORKED ON THAT AND AS RESULT, AS YOU SAY, IT
8 HELPED SAVE MEDICINE IN CALIFORNIA. BUT THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT
9 NEEDS TO BE ADOPTING SIMILAR PROPOSALS AND REFORMS THAT WILL
10 HELP THE ENTIRE NATION.

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12 **DR. MITCHELL KATZ:** I WOULD CERTAINLY AGREE. AND I KNOW THAT,
13 FOR EXAMPLE, THE CALIFORNIA MEDICAL ASSOCIATION THINKS OF
14 MICRO AS ONE OF THE GREATEST ACHIEVEMENTS IN THE STATE OF
15 CALIFORNIA.

16

17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** QUESTION: NEARLY 1/3 OF YOUR POPULATION ARE
18 UNDOCUMENTED. HOW ARE THOSE -- THEY'RE NOT GOING TO BE
19 ELIGIBLE FOR ANY OF THE FUNDING UNDER THE HEALTHCARE REFORM.
20 SO HOW DO YOU CONTINUE TO PAY FOR THESE PATIENTS WITH
21 POTENTIAL REDUCTIONS IN FEDERAL AND STATE RESOURCES,
22 PARTICULARLY IF YOU'RE UNABLE TO ATTRACT AND KEEP NEWLY
23 COVERED MEDI-CAL PATIENTS IN THE SYSTEM?

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1 **DR. MITCHELL KATZ:** EXCELLENT QUESTION, MR. SUPERVISOR. SO THE
2 KEY TO BEING ABLE TO SUCCEED IS BEING ABLE TO KEEP THE INSURED
3 PATIENTS. BECAUSE HOSPITALS, AS YOU KNOW, HAVE TREMENDOUS
4 FIXED COSTS. TAKE THE HOSPITAL IN YOUR AREA, OLIVE VIEW. IF
5 OLIVE VIEW HAD HALF THE NUMBER OF PATIENTS, THE COST OF
6 RUNNING OLIVE VIEW WOULD NOT BE HALF. IT MIGHT BE 85 PERCENT,
7 90 PERCENT, RIGHT? YOU CAN DECREASE CERTAIN TYPES OF STAFFING,
8 LIKE NURSE STAFFING WHICH RUNS PER ONE REGISTERED NURSE FOR
9 EVERY FOUR TO FIVE HOSPITAL PATIENTS. BUT THE OPERATION OF THE
10 FACILITY AND THE EQUIPMENT OF THE FACILITY AND SO MUCH OF THE
11 STAFF STAYS THE SAME. AND SO THE SURVIVAL OF OUR SYSTEM REALLY
12 DEPENDS ON BEING ABLE TO MAINTAIN BOTH THE PATIENTS WHO
13 PROVIDE THE REVENUE AND THE OTHERS. WE WILL STILL HAVE SOME
14 AMOUNT OF THE D.S.H. DOLLARS. WE WILL STILL HAVE, WE HOPE,
15 SOME AMOUNT OF THE WAIVER DOLLARS. AND WE HOPE THAT THERE WILL
16 NOT BE A CUT IN THE RE-ALIGNMENT. AND THAT, PLUS BEING ABLE TO
17 KEEP A LARGE NUMBER OF THE REVENUE-PROVIDING PATIENTS WILL
18 ENABLE THE SURVIVAL OF THE SYSTEM.

19

20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** CONSIDERING THE SIGNIFICANT INVESTMENTS THAT
21 YOU'RE HAVING TO MAKE IN YOUR DEPARTMENT AND THE LIABILITY
22 THAT THE DEPARTMENT COULD POSE TO THE COUNTY, COULD YOU
23 INCLUDE THE PAYER MIX TRENDING ANALYSIS IN PLANS TO ADDRESS
24 ANY NEGATIVE TRENDS IN YOUR FUTURE FORECASTS TO THE BOARD?

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1 **DR. MITCHELL KATZ:** ABSOLUTELY, SIR.

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3 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** SUPERVISOR MOLINA?

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5 **SUP. MOLINA:** DR. KATZ, THERE ARE GOING TO BE A LOT OF
6 CHALLENGES, AND I REALLY APPRECIATE THE WORK THAT YOU HAVE
7 DONE AND THE ONGOING WORK THAT NEEDS TO BE DONE. ONE OF THE
8 THINGS THAT VERY FEW PEOPLE REALLY KNOW ABOUT OUR SYSTEM IS
9 THAT IT REALLY DOES FUNCTION QUITE WELL. THERE HAVE BEEN
10 PROBLEMS AS THERE ARE IN ANY HOSPITAL SYSTEM. WE ARE A VERY
11 HUGE COMPREHENSIVE SYSTEM. FOR A PUBLIC SYSTEM, IT'S AMAZING.
12 ONE OF THE THINGS THAT, YOU KNOW, I GUESS PEOPLE ONLY READ
13 ABOUT THE NEGATIVE, BUT VERY, FRANKLY, WE HAVE WON AMAZING
14 AWARDS, WE'VE DONE TREMENDOUS WORK, WE HAVE GREAT DOCTORS,
15 TERRIFIC, NURSES, AND A WHOLE ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF THAT WORKS
16 WELL. NOW, HOW WE'RE GOING TO BE ABLE TO COMMUNICATE THAT TO
17 EVERY INSURANCE-CARRYING PATIENT IS GOING TO BE IMPORTANT. AND
18 I DON'T KNOW HOW. I MEAN WE'VE NEVER LOOKED AT OURSELVES AS
19 CREATING A MARKETING PLAN. BUT OBVIOUSLY THAT HAS TO BE PART
20 OF THE EQUATION TODAY. AND SO I DON'T KNOW HOW YOU'RE GOING TO
21 CARRY THAT OUT AND HOW THAT WILL WORK. BUT I THINK IT'S GOING
22 TO REQUIRE AN INVESTMENT THAT IS SOMETHING WE'VE NOT DONE.
23 NOW, WE'VE ALWAYS HAD PUBLIC AFFAIRS PEOPLE, THINGS OF THAT
24 SORT THAT DEAL WITH PRESS AT ALL. BUT I THINK THAT WE HAVE TO
25 LOOK AT A STRATEGY OF HOW WE'RE GOING TO MARKET OURSELVES, HOW



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1 WE'RE GOING TO BRAND OURSELVES, BECAUSE WE'RE GOING TO HAVE TO
2 COMPETE. AND SO THAT'S AN IMPORTANT COMPONENT. AND I KNOW IT'S
3 NOT ANYTHING WE TALK ABOUT, PARTICULARLY WHEN WE'RE TALKING
4 ABOUT ISSUES OF PUBLIC HOSPITALS. BUT LET'S FACE IT. THAT'S
5 THE KIND OF SITUATION THAT THE NEW AFFORDABLE CARE ACT HAS PUT
6 US IN AS FAR AS SITUATION. AND OF COURSE HOW WE COMPETE IS HOW
7 WE WILL CONTINUE TO FUND OUR SYSTEM AND HOPEFULLY ADDRESS THE
8 ISSUES OF THOSE THAT COME TO US WITHOUT INSURANCE. BECAUSE
9 UNTIL THE STATE REVOKES -- AND I DON'T THINK THEY SHOULD --
10 OUR RESPONSIBILITIES TO EVERY PATIENT THAT PRESENTS
11 THEMSELVES, WE ARE GOING TO HAVE TO TAKE CARE OF MANY OF THOSE
12 PEOPLE. AND HOPEFULLY WE'RE GOING TO HAVE PRIVATE HOSPITALS
13 THAT WILL CONTINUE TO DO SO, AS WELL. BUT ONE OF THE THINGS
14 THAT I'VE TRIED TO DO HERE AS EARLY AS 15 YEARS AGO AND IT MET
15 WITH AN UNBELIEVABLE PROTEST FROM OUR UNIONS IS TRYING TO GET
16 OURSELVES, THAT IS, COUNTY EMPLOYEES, INTO OUR HOSPITALS. AND
17 I KNOW THAT WE ARE HUGE. I MEAN, WE PROVIDE, YOU KNOW, FOR
18 INSURANCE COMPANIES AND ALL OF OUR HEALTHCARE PROVIDERS, AN
19 UNBELIEVABLE AMOUNT OF VERY GOOD, HEALTHY INSURANCE DOLLARS.
20 CAN YOU LOOK AT -- IS IT POSSIBLE? AND I KNOW WE'VE TALKED
21 ABOUT THIS, BUT I'VE NOT SEEN A PROPOSAL OR HOW IT'S GOING TO
22 GET DONE -- AS TO HOW WE COULD BUY INTO INSURANCE? IF I WANTED
23 TO TAKE MY INSURANCE NUMBER AND BUY THE SERVICES OF A HOSPITAL
24 AND THE CLINIC, I'M NOT SO CONCERNED ABOUT THE QUALITY OF THE
25 CARE. THAT DOESN'T CONCERN ME BECAUSE I KNOW THAT IT'S THERE.



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1 BUT I DO WANT TO HAVE MY OWN DOC, RIGHT? WHICH IS SOMETHING
2 IMPORTANT TO ME. AND I WOULD ALSO LIKE TO KNOW THAT I COULD
3 GET APPOINTMENTS. RIGHT NOW, I MEAN, I HAVE A DOCTOR'S
4 APPOINTMENT THAT I SCHEDULED A MONTH AND A HALF AGO, BUT IT
5 ISN'T UNTIL LATE SEPTEMBER. THAT'S AS EARLY AS I CAN GET IN TO
6 SEE MY DOC. SO THAT'S NOT UNUSUAL. BUT I WANTED THE ABILITY TO
7 HAVE, TO MAKE AN APPOINTMENT THAT IS GOING TO BE HONORED AT
8 THE END OF THE DAY AND SOME OF THOSE THINGS. SO I KNOW THERE
9 IS A SOMEWHAT OF A PROGRAM, BUT I DON'T KNOW HOW THAT
10 FUNCTIONS WITHIN OUR COUNTY SYSTEM AND WHETHER, IN FACT, IT IS
11 SOMETHING THAT WE SHOULD MORE FORMALLY LOOK INTO TO CREATE THE
12 KIND OF ACTIVITY THAT WOULD TRANSFER SOME OF OUR INSURANCE,
13 OUR EMPLOYEES INTO THAT KIND OF CARE. I DON'T KNOW IF WE'RE
14 READY COMPLETELY. BUT I DO THINK WE NEED TO START LOOKING AT
15 IF WE ARE GOING TO MAKE A CASE FOR THE OUTSIDE COMMUNITY TO
16 COME TO US AND TO BRING THEIR INSURANCE CARD TO US, I THINK WE
17 HAVE TO START BY PRESENTING OURSELVES TO THAT SYSTEM AND
18 CREATING WHERE WE WOULD CREATE INCENTIVES FOR OUR OWN
19 EMPLOYEES TO, YOU KNOW, TAKE A BREAK FROM WHATEVER CARRIER
20 THEY HAVE AND PRESENT THOSE INSURANCE DOLLARS TO THE COUNTY.
21 NOW, I KNOW WE HAVE SOMEWHAT OF A PROGRAM, BUT IS IT POSSIBLE
22 THAT YOU COULD CREATE OR LOOK AT A BETTER-DEFINED PROGRAM. I
23 CAN'T SAY A BETTER PROGRAM BECAUSE THAT'S NOT WHAT I WANT TO
24 SAY, A BETTER-DEFINED PROGRAM. SO LET'S THAT IF I WANTED TO --
25 I KNOW ENROLLMENT IS COMING UP PRETTY SOON IN MANY OF OUR



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1 INSURANCE PLANS. AND IF I WANTED TO CHANGE HOW I COULD DO IT
2 AND HOW WE COULD ENCOURAGE OTHER EMPLOYEES TO DO IT AND WHAT
3 WOULD BE THE BENEFIT OF THAT CHANGE FOR SOME OF US.

4

5 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** WE CAN BOTH KIND OF SHARE IN ANSWERING THAT
6 REQUEST. WE'VE ACTUALLY STARTED CONVERSATIONS WITH OUR LABOR
7 PARTNERS IN DEVELOPING THE PROGRAM YOU JUST DESCRIBED. AND I
8 SHARE WITH YOU THAT, ESPECIALLY GIVEN SOME OF OUR NEWER
9 FACILITIES AND WHAT DR. KATZ HAS BROUGHT TO THE TABLE, THAT
10 THE OPPORTUNITY PRESENTS ITSELF NOW. SO WE'VE HAD SOME
11 PRELIMINARY DISCUSSIONS. AND IT'S SOMETHING THAT WE HAVE
12 TALKED TO DR. KATZ ABOUT AND WILL BE MOVING FORWARD.

13

14 **DR. MITCHELL KATZ:** I VERY MUCH AGREE, SUPERVISOR. I WOULD LOVE
15 TO COME MYSELF AND BRING MY KIDS. AND RIGHT NOW I CAN'T. IT'S
16 NOT AN OPTION ON MY ENROLLMENT. I CAN'T CHOOSE THAT. I WOULD
17 BE VERY HAPPY AND PROUD. I THINK IT NOT ONLY IS GOOD FOR
18 REVENUE. I THINK, AGAIN, IT'S GOOD FOR THE PSYCHOLOGY. IT'S
19 GOOD TO KNOW THAT THE NEXT PERSON WHO YOU SEE MAY BE A VERY
20 LOW INCOME, UNDOCUMENTED PERSON OR MAY BE YOUR COLLEAGUE. AND
21 EVERYBODY, YOU WANT A HIGH QUALITY SYSTEM. EVERYBODY SHOULD
22 GET THE SAME HIGH QUALITY.

23

24 **SUP. MOLINA:** RIGHT.

25



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1 **DR. MITCHELL KATZ:** WE HAVE, BECAUSE OF THE FIVE OF YOU, GREAT
2 FACILITIES, BOARD CERTIFIED DOCTORS AND A HIGHER NUMBER AND A
3 GOOD LABOR FORCE. AND I HAVE HEARD POSITIVE THINGS. I DID WHEN
4 I WAS IN NEW YORK, THEY HAVE A SUCCESSFUL PROGRAM LIKE THIS.
5 AND SO I VISITED WITH THEM TO UNDERSTAND. IT WOULD PROBABLY
6 HAVE TO BE ADMINISTERED PARTIALLY THROUGH SOME KNOX-KING
7 LICENSE LIKE L.A. CARE, OR IT COULD BE ANOTHER ONE, BUT WITH
8 ACCESS TO OUR FACILITIES AND WITH THE SUPPORT OF THE C.E.O.,
9 I'D BE HAPPY TO DO IT AND I'D BE HAPPY ALONG WITH YOU TO SIGN
10 UP FOR IT.

11

12 **SUP. MOLINA:** HOW QUICKLY -- BECAUSE AGAIN IT'S TIME-LIMITED. I
13 MEAN, I THINK ENROLLMENT STARTS IN SEPTEMBER. I KNOW YOU'RE
14 NOT GOING TO HAVE IT READY, LET'S SAY, BUT IS IT POSSIBLE THAT
15 IT'S SOMETHING THAT YOU COULD START DEFINING AND CREATING A
16 PATHWAY TO IT MAYBE FOR NEXT YEAR'S ENROLLMENT?

17

18 **DR. MITCHELL KATZ:** ON OUR END, YES. IT'S PARTIALLY A LABOR
19 NEGOTIATION.

20

21 **SUP. MOLINA:** IT ISN'T JUST THE LABOR. I'M NOT TALKING ABOUT
22 LABOR. EVENTUALLY LABOR MAY CHOOSE, IT COULD BE ONE OF THEIR
23 OPTIONS, RIGHT?

24



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1 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** YES. WHAT YOU'RE DESCRIBING IS OUR GOAL. AND
2 SO WE'RE STARTING --

3

4 **SUP. MOLINA:** SO WHAT I'M SAYING IS UNTIL IT GETS DEFINED BY
5 THE DEPARTMENT AT SOME LEVEL, BECAUSE I MEAN I WOULD BE READY
6 TO GO IN SEPTEMBER. I DON'T HAVE A PROBLEM. BUT I DON'T HAVE A
7 MECHANISM BY HOW TO DO THAT. I GUESS I COULD GO TO L.A. CARE
8 AND TURN MYSELF OVER TO THEM BUT I DON'T THINK THAT WOULD
9 WORK.

10

11 **DR. MITCHELL KATZ:** NO, WE'RE NOT A PROVIDER UNDER THE PRIVATE
12 L.A. CARE. SO YOU COULD DO THAT IF YOU WERE ON MEDICAID, BUT
13 YOU COULD NOT DO IT AS A WELL-INSURED PERSON.

14

15 **SUP. MOLINA:** GETTING THERE SOON, BUT NOT YET. SO I THINK WE
16 HAVE TO FIND A PATHWAY FOR PEOPLE LIKE MYSELF AND OTHERS THAT
17 WOULD BEGIN THAT PROCESS OF HOW TO TRANSITION OVER. AND I
18 THINK THAT NEEDS TO BE PART OF WHAT WE MARKET. IN OTHER WORDS,
19 WE'RE ASKING -- BECAUSE WE HAVE TO MAKE OURSELVES ATTRACTIVE
20 TO INSURANCE-CARRYING PATIENTS, OTHERWISE WE'RE NOT GOING TO
21 BE ABLE TO SUBSIDIZE THE NONINSURED PATIENT.

22

23 **DR. MITCHELL KATZ:** CORRECT.

24

25 **SUP. MOLINA:** SO IT HAS TO BE VERY MUCH A PART OF THE EQUATION.



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2 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** AND IN FACT IN RECENT DISCUSSIONS WITH ONE OF
3 OUR LARGEST LABOR GROUPS, WE DEVELOPED A FRAMEWORK FOR MOVING
4 FORWARD IN THAT DIRECTION.

5

6 **SUP. MOLINA:** FRAMEWORK, WHAT DOES THAT MEAN? I DON'T KNOW WHAT
7 THAT MEANS. IT'LL BE READY FOR SEPTEMBER?

8

9 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** I'D LIKE TO SEE IT READY BY NEXT SEPTEMBER.

10

11 **SUP. MOLINA:** NEXT SEPTEMBER?

12

13 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** IT WON'T BE THIS SEPTEMBER BECAUSE THERE ARE
14 SO MANY THINGS THAT HAVE TO BE DONE. BUT WE WILL BE SITTING
15 FORMALLY WITH LABOR TO START DEVELOPING THIS PROGRAM.

16

17 **SUP. MOLINA:** BUT I THINK, AGAIN, IT ISN'T JUST LABOR.

18

19 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** I AGREE. IT'S STARTING WITH ONE BUT THEN
20 BRANCHING OUT. ONCE WE HAVE THAT STRUCTURE IN PLACE, IT WILL
21 BE AVAILABLE FOR ESPECIALLY THE NON-REPS AND THEN OTHER
22 ORGANIZATIONS WITHIN THE COUNTY. BUT IT IS A GOAL BECAUSE WE
23 SHOULD BE LOOKING AT THIS AS AN OPTION THAT OUR EMPLOYEES CAN
24 TAKE GIVEN WHAT WE HAVE. BUT WE HAVE STARTED PRELIMINARY
25 DISCUSSIONS WITH THEM WITH THE GOAL OF MAKING THIS HAPPEN. AND



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1 THEN ON THE BRANDING ISSUE, THAT SHOULD BE SOMETHING WE SHOULD
2 REPORT BACK ON BECAUSE WE HAVE A GROUP IN OUR OFFICE, OUR
3 PUBLIC AFFAIRS THAT IS HELPING WITH ENHANCED COMMUNICATION
4 SYSTEM, EVIDENCED BY WHAT WE DID WITH THE ANNUAL REPORT. BUT
5 WE CAN WORK WITH THEM ON THAT AND REPORT BACK.

6

7 **SUP. MOLINA:** GREAT, THANK YOU.

8

9 **DR. MITCHELL KATZ:** THANK YOU.

10

11 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** I HAVE A COUPLE OF QUESTIONS. WHAT
12 IF ANYTHING DO YOU HEAR ABOUT HOW THE STATE WANTS TO REALIGN
13 HEALTH SERVICES AND HOW THAT IMPACTS US?

14

15 **DR. MITCHELL KATZ:** I HEAR THEY WANT OUR MONEY. THAT'S WHAT I
16 HEAR. THEY'RE LOOKING FOR EVERY OPPORTUNITY TO DECREASE THEIR
17 SPENDING IN AREAS THAT THEY FEEL ARE QUOTE/UNQUOTE
18 DISCRETIONARY. IN HEALTH, THEY FEEL, BECAUSE CALIFORNIA
19 PROVIDES A BROADER SET OF SERVICES THAN SOME STATES FALL INTO
20 THAT CATEGORY.

21

22 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THEY WANT OUR MONEY FOR WHAT?

23

24 **DR. MITCHELL KATZ:** WHAT THEY WOULD LIKE IS TO -- AND I DON'T
25 UNDERSTAND EXACTLY HOW THIS WOULD WORK POLITICALLY OR WHAT



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1 VOTES WOULD BE NECESSARY, BUT TO DECREASE RE-ALIGNMENT TO
2 COUNTIES AS COUNTIES GAIN MEDICAID UNDER THE THEORY THAT THAT
3 WAS PART OF WHAT RE-ALIGNMENT WAS PAID FOR. BUT YOU WOULD KNOW
4 BETTER THAN ME HOW THAT WOULD HAPPEN.

5

6 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** LET ME ASK YOU A QUESTION. WHAT'S
7 WRONG WITH THAT?

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9 **DR. MITCHELL KATZ:** WELL, WHAT'S WRONG WITH IT? WELL, WHAT'S
10 WRONG WITH IT IS THAT THE ORIGINAL AGREEMENTS WHEREBY THEY
11 GAVE US THE RESPONSIBILITY AND RE-ALIGNMENT DOLLARS, THOSE TWO
12 NEVER EQUALED. SO IT'S NOT AS IF THEY SAID OKAY, WE'RE MOVING
13 THE RESPONSIBILITY TO THE COUNTIES AND WE WILL GIVE YOU AN
14 EQUAL AMOUNT OF MONEY TO PAY FOR IT. SO, IF YOU WILL, WHAT'S
15 WRONG WITH IT IS THAT RE-ALIGNMENT ONLY PAYS FOR A SMALL
16 PERCENTAGE OF THAT RESPONSIBILITY. AND SO I WOULD ARGUE IT'S
17 NOT FAIR NOW TO TAKE IT BACK BECAUSE WE'VE GOT IN OTHER MONEY
18 WHEN, IN FACT, THE RE-ALIGNMENT -- IT STILL WILL NOT COVER
19 EVEN THE COST OF THOSE WHO REMAIN RESIDUALLY UNINSURED. THE
20 RE-ALIGNMENT JUST ISN'T LARGE ENOUGH. BECAUSE REMEMBER IT ALSO
21 HAS TO COVER THE MENTAL HEALTH ISSUES NOT JUST THE PHYSICAL
22 HEALTH ISSUES. SO WHAT I WOULD SAY IS, YOU CAN'T DECREASE IT
23 WHEN YOU'RE STILL NOT EVEN COVERING THE COSTS OF THE
24 RESPONSIBILITIES YOU REALIGNED.

25



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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** DOES THE MONEY THEY GIVE US UNDER
2 RE-ALIGNMENT, THAT HAS NO IMPACT ON THE FEDERAL MONEY THAT WE
3 GET FOR HEALTHCARE, DOES IT? OR DOES IT?

4

5 **DR. MITCHELL KATZ:** DOES NOT.

6

7 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** SO IT'S NOT THE KIND OF THING THAT
8 IS PART OF THE MATCH THAT THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT LOOKS FOR IN
9 THE MEDICAID PROGRAM?

10

11 **DR. MITCHELL KATZ:** CORRECT.

12

13 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. I HAVE ONE OTHER QUESTION.
14 WHAT SHOULD WE DO AS A COUNTY TO INSURE THAT WE ARE NOT
15 ADVERSELY IMPACTED BY ANY REVISITATION OF THE D.S.H. FORMULAS?
16 WHERE SHOULD WE CONCENTRATE OUR RESOURCES AS A BOARD?

17

18 **DR. MITCHELL KATZ:** RIGHT. SO AS A BOARD, I WOULD SAY RIGHT NOW
19 IT WOULD BE ANYONE WHO COULD INFLUENCE C.M.S. AND I THINK THE
20 MESSAGE IS FAIRLY SIMPLE AND IT'S NOT EVEN AN L.A.-SPECIFIC
21 MESSAGE. THE MESSAGE SHOULD BE: THAT D.S.H. DOLLARS NEED TO GO
22 TO THOSE PEOPLE WHO ARE TAKING CARE OF THE BULK OR THE
23 DISPROPORTIONATE, AS IS IN THE TITLE, NUMBER OF INSURED, AND
24 SHOULD NOT BE IMPLEMENTED AS ACROSS-THE-BOARD, AND THAT C.M.S.
25 IS WRITING THOSE REGULATIONS RIGHT NOW, AND OBVIOUSLY OUR



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1 FEDERAL DELEGATION CAN INFLUENCE WHAT GETS WRITTEN IN THOSE.
2 AND PART OF WHAT I LIKE ABOUT IT IS WE'RE NOT SAYING "WE WANT
3 MONEY FOR L.A. COUNTY." WE'RE SAYING WE WANT THAT MONEY TO GO
4 FOR WHAT THAT MONEY REALLY SHOULD GO FOR. AND THEN I THINK YOU
5 HAVE TO DECIDE HOW YOU WANT TO DEAL WITH THE NUANCES OF, WHAT
6 DOES THAT MEAN IF A STATE LIKE FLORIDA AND TEXAS DOESN'T
7 IMPLEMENT SO THAT THEY THEN HAVE ALL OF THESE UNINSURED
8 PEOPLE.

9

10 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** YEAH, THAT COULD SKEW THE WHOLE
11 FORMULA. HAVE YOU BEEN IN TOUCH WITH OUR REPRESENTATIVES, OUR
12 LEGISLATIVE ADVOCACY REPRESENTATIVES IN WASHINGTON, SUSAN
13 WHITE, ON THIS YOU?

14

15 **DR. MITCHELL KATZ:** YES. YES. BUT EVERYONE EXPECTS THAT IT'S
16 GOING TO HEAT UP IN THE NEXT SIX MONTHS TO A YEAR, THAT FIRST
17 NO ONE WAS GOING TO DO ANYTHING UNTIL THE SUPREME COURT
18 CHALLENGE WAS OVER BECAUSE NO ONE KNEW WHERE THE BILL WOULD
19 BE. AND I THINK SIMILARLY NOBODY'S GOING TO DO ANYTHING UNTIL
20 THE NEXT ELECTION. I DON'T THINK YOU WILL GET ANY REGS COMING
21 OUT OF C.M.S. BEFORE THAT, BUT THEN DEPENDING UPON WHAT THE
22 RESULTS OF THE ELECTION ARE, THAT IT WOULD BE IN THAT NEXT SIX
23 MONTHS THAT WE WOULD NEED TO BE MOST IN TUNE. BUT I HAVE
24 TALKED WITH HER, I HAVE ALSO TALKED WITH N.A.P.H, THE NATIONAL



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1 ASSOCIATION OF PUBLIC HEALTH, C.A.P.H., THE CALIFORNIA
2 ASSOCIATION OF PUBLIC HEALTH.

3

4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY THAT'S SOMETHING THAT KEEP US
5 POSTED ON, AS WELL, BECAUSE THERE MAY BE SOME HELP WE CAN BE
6 THERE, TOO.

7

8 **DR. MITCHELL KATZ:** THAT WOULD BE WONDERFUL.

9

10 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** DON'T WAIT UNTIL THE LAST MINUTE.
11 WE'RE GOING TO INJECT OURSELVES EARLY ON. HANG ON A SECOND.
12 MIKE HAD ASKED FIRST, AND THEN MARK.

13

14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** FOR NEXT WEEK IF YOU COULD HELP DRAFT AND
15 WE'LL PUT ON THE AGENDA THAT THE BOARD SUPPORT THE MEDICAL
16 INJURY COMPENSATION REFORM ACT SIMILAR TO WHAT CALIFORNIA
17 PASSED.

18

19 **DR. MITCHELL KATZ:** GREAT.

20

21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SO WE'LL PUT IT ON THE AGENDA TO SUPPORT NEXT
22 WEEK.

23

24 **DR. MITCHELL KATZ:** THANK YOU.

25



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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** MARK?

2

3 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU. JUST A QUICK FOLLOW-UP QUESTION
4 ABOUT THE EXCHANGE. IT SEEMS TO ME, PURSUANT TO THE LINE OF
5 QUESTIONS THAT YOU WERE RESPONDING TO JUST A FEW MOMENTS AGO,
6 IS THERE A ROLE FOR THE COUNTY IN ADMINISTERING THE LOCAL
7 EXCHANGE THAT COULD MORE STRATEGICALLY SITUATE THE COUNTY IN
8 TERMS OF THE OUTCOMES THAT WE SEEK AND HAS IMPLICATIONS FOR
9 OUR WORKFORCE AS WELL AS A RANGE OF OTHER THINGS? PERHAPS THIS
10 IS A QUESTION FOR THE C.E.O. TO CONTEMPLATE IN TANDEM WITH THE
11 DIRECTOR OF D.H.S. IN TERMS OF THE COMPETITION THAT WILL BE
12 SET IN MOTION FOR ENTITIES THAT MAY WISH TO ADMINISTER THE
13 EXCHANGE? OUGHT WE NOT TO BE CONSIDERED AMONG THEM? SHOULD WE
14 NOT PUT OUR HAT IN THE RING, AS IT WERE? HAVE WE THOUGHT ABOUT
15 THAT? IS THAT AN APPROPRIATE CONSIDERATION? DOES IT NOT HAVE
16 POTENTIAL POSITIVE IMPLICATIONS FOR THE COUNTY AND/OR ITS
17 WORKFORCE?

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19 **DR. MITCHELL KATZ:** ABSOLUTELY. I THINK THAT THE BIGGEST
20 OPPORTUNITIES FOR US WILL BE TO BE ATTRACTIVE FOR PEOPLE WHO
21 WILL BE ENTERING THE EXCHANGES.

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23 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** RIGHT.

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1 **DR. KATZ:** BECAUSE IT WILL BE THE JOB OF THE EXCHANGE, JUST AS
2 YOU WERE SPEAKING, MR. SUPERVISOR, TO OFFER PEOPLE MANY
3 CHOICES.

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5 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** RIGHT. SOMEONE'S GOING TO RUN IT.

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7 **DR. MITCHELL KATZ:** EXCUSE ME?

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9 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** SOMEONE'S GOING TO RUN IT.

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11 **DR. MITCHELL KATZ:** YES.

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13 **SUP. RIDLEY THOMAS:** THAT HAS YET TO BE DETERMINED, RIGHT?

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15 **DR. MITCHELL KATZ:** WELL, I MEAN THE COMMISSION IS IN PLACE, AS
16 YOU KNOW, CHAIRED BY DIANA DOOLEY.

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18 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** RIGHT.

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20 **DR. MITCHELL KATZ:** AND OUR GOOD FRIEND BOB ROSS ARE THERE.

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22 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** RIGHT. BUT THAT'S AT THE LEVEL OF
23 OVERSIGHT. I'M TALKING OPERATIONALLY.

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1 **DR. MITCHELL KATZ:** CORRECT. SO THEY HAVE A C.E.O., BUT NOT
2 DEEPER THAN THAT.

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4 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** SO PURSUANT TO THE A.C.A.'S ENACTMENT, IS
5 THAT NOT AN OPERATIONAL OPPORTUNITY TO WHICH THERE WILL BE
6 PERHAPS AN R.F.P. AND A CONTRACT LET, ET CETERA, ET CETERA?

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8 **DR. MITCHELL KATZ:** YES.

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10 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** IS IT NOT THE CASE THAT THE COUNTY
11 SHOULDN'T SEE ITSELF AS ONE SUCH ENTITY COMPETING TO PLAY SUCH
12 A ROLE?

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14 **DR. MITCHELL KATZ:** ABSOLUTELY.

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16 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** I WOULD THINK, THEN, THAT THAT OUGHT TO BE
17 CONTEMPLATED, AND WE SHOULD, MR. FUJIOKA, FIND OUR WAY INTO
18 THAT BECAUSE AS WE TALK ABOUT WORKFORCE STABILIZATION ISSUES,
19 AS WE TALK ABOUT REVENUE GENERATION SCENARIOS, THIS COULD BE
20 ONE SUCH PIECE OF THAT PUZZLE. AND I THINK THE BOARD WOULD
21 BENEFIT FROM FURTHER EVALUATION OF THAT POSSIBILITY. THAT
22 WOULD THEN MEAN THAT THOSE THAT ARE IN OUR EMPLOY COULD BE ON
23 POINT TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS PROCESS IN A VERY SIGNIFICANT AND
24 MEANINGFUL WAY. SO I WOULD REQUEST, ALONG WITH THE OTHER



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1 REQUESTS THAT HAVE BEEN MADE AS A REPORT BACK TO THE BOARD
2 ESSENTIALLY ADDRESSING THAT ISSUE. THANK YOU.

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4 **DR. MITCHELL KATZ:** THANK YOU, SIR.

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6 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU, DR. KATZ. WE HAVE
7 SEVERAL PEOPLE WHO WANTED TO BE HEARD ON THIS. A COUPLE
8 PEOPLE. DR. CLAVREUL? AND ERIC PREVEN.

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10 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** GOOD MORNING, AGAIN, BOARD OF
11 SUPERVISORS, DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL. THANK YOU TO ALLOW ME TO
12 LISTEN TO THE REPORT FIRST. ONLY ONE THING I WOULD LIKE TO
13 BRING TO YOUR ATTENTION. CONTRARY TO WHAT DR. KATZ MENTIONED,
14 THE PUBLIC AND PATIENT IN PARTICULAR DO NOT JUDGE THE QUALITY
15 ON THE HOSPITAL ON THE QUALITY OF THE PHYSICIAN AND SO ON.
16 MANY TIMES THEIR SELECTION HAVE TO DO WITH VERY LIGHT
17 SITUATION. TO GIVE YOU A VERY GOOD EXAMPLE. MANY YEARS AGO
18 WHEN I WAS DIRECTOR OF NURSES IN SIOUX FALLS, SOUTH DAKOTA, WE
19 HAD ONE OF THE BEST NEONATAL INTENSIVE CARE UNITS. BUT WE
20 COULD NEVER ATTRACT REGULAR MOTHERS WITH REGULAR BABIES
21 BECAUSE THAT'S WHERE THE MONEY IS MADE IN THE HOSPITAL, IN
22 UNCOMPLICATED CARE OF NEWBORNS. AND WHEN I DID AN INTERVIEW
23 AND A SURVEY OF MANY, MANY PATIENTS AND FIND OUT WHY THEY WERE
24 SELECTING THE OTHER HOSPITAL VERSUS THE HOSPITAL WHERE I WORK,
25 IT WAS BECAUSE THE HOSPITAL OFFERED A STEAK AND CHAMPAGNE TO



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1 THE NEW PARENTS. AND MANY TIMES WHEN YOU ACTUALLY SURVEY
2 HOSPITALS ON THE QUALITY OF CARE, IT'S SOMETHING LIKE THAT,
3 WHY THEY GO TO THAT HOSPITAL. SO THE IMAGE IS VERY IMPORTANT.
4 AND I THINK IN THE CASE OF L.A. COUNTY, WE ABSOLUTELY NEED TO
5 DO GOOD MARKETING. AND PERSONALLY MYSELF, I FEEL THAT WE DO
6 NOT ADVERTISE THE GOOD CARE WE ARE RECEIVING IN A LOT OF THE
7 COUNTY HOSPITALS HERE. AND I KNOW MYSELF, I WOULD NOT BE ABLE
8 TO WALK TODAY WITHOUT THE CARE I RECEIVED AT U.S. C. SO I AM A
9 STRONG BELIEVER THAT WE HAVE SOME WONDERFUL SURGEONS AND
10 NURSES WHO WORK IN THOSE INSTITUTIONS. BUT I THINK WE NEED TO
11 ADVERTISE THAT, ALSO. AND I THINK IT'S PROBABLY WHERE WE
12 SHOULD SPEND A LOT OF OUR WORK TO EMPHASIZE THE QUALITY OF
13 CARE BEING PROVIDED. I WOULD LIKE TO REALLY WANT THE COUNTY TO
14 MAKE AN EFFORT ON THAT ISSUE. ALSO, I WANTED TO LET YOU KNOW
15 THAT I HAVE REALLY FOLLOWED VERY CLOSELY THE HEALTHCARE
16 REFORM. AND WE ARE A LONG WAY TO ACTUALLY WHAT WE ARE TALKING
17 ABOUT TODAY BECAUSE UNTIL ALL THE LAWSUITS ARE FINISHED, WE
18 STILL DON'T KNOW. BUT ACTUALLY ON ONE OF THE ARTICLES I GAVE
19 YOU EARLIER TODAY IS A SPECIFIC PORTION ON HEALTHCARE REFORM.
20 WHICH I THINK YOU SHOULD ALSO READ. THANK YOU FOR YOUR
21 ATTENTION.

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23 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. MR. SACHS, ARE YOU
24 HERE? WHY DON'T YOU COME UP HERE, YOU'LL BE NEXT. MR. PREVEN?

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1 **ERIC PREVEN:** YES, MY NAME IS ERIC PREVEN AND I AM THE COUNTY
2 RESIDENT FROM DISTRICT 3. AND I AM QUITE PLEASED AT THE
3 SUPREME COURT DECISION AND I THINK THAT THIS BOARD HAS ASKED
4 SOME VERY GOOD QUESTIONS. AND OBVIOUSLY WE NOW HAVE A SMALL
5 TO-DO LIST GOING FORWARD WITH REGARD TO THE AFFORDABLE CARE
6 ACT, INCLUDING IT SOUNDED LIKE THE C.M.S. IS GOING TO HAVE A
7 TREMENDOUS IMPACT ABOUT THE DISPROPORTIONATE VERSUS THE
8 ACROSS-THE-BOARD DISTRIBUTION. AND I THINK THAT CALIFORNIA,
9 WHO DOES SHEPHERD A TREMENDOUS BURDEN HERE, SHOULD BE ENTITLED
10 TO THAT INCOME, THAT FUNDING. ALSO, WE DO WANT TO CHOOSE OUR
11 OWN DOCTORS. AND I THINK THAT NOW THAT THAT HAS BEEN POSSIBLE
12 IN THIS SYSTEM, THAT'S EXCELLENT. AND I THINK THAT IN FACT, 10
13 PERCENT OF THE POPULATION UTILIZE APPROXIMATELY 60 PERCENT OF
14 HEALTH OUTLAY. SO WHEN SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS AND OTHERS
15 POINT OUT THAT WE ARE GOING TO BE FACING A KIND OF
16 COMPETITION, THOUGH THAT'S TRUE TO SOME DEGREE AND WE
17 ABSOLUTELY SHOULD WORK ON A MARKETING PROGRAM TO MAKE OUR
18 HOSPITALS ATTRACTIVE TO OUR CONSTITUENTS, WE NEED TO REMEMBER
19 THAT A LARGE PORTION OF THE PEOPLE ARE NOT REALLY IN A
20 POSITION OF CHOICE WHEN THEY ARE GOING TO A HOSPITAL, THEY ARE
21 IN A GRAVE STATE. AND THEY ARE GOING MORE OR LESS WHERE THEY
22 CAN GET. LONG STORY SHORT IS THIS IS NOT GOING TO TAKE EFFECT
23 UNTIL 2014. BUT I'M EXCITED THAT MORE PEOPLE WILL BE ENTITLED
24 TO INSURANCE. AND I THINK THAT DR. KATZ IS TO BE COMMENDED FOR
25 HIS CAPACITY FOR HOLDING ALL OF THIS COMPLICATED INFORMATION



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1 AND THEN BEING ABLE TO RESPOND SO FLUIDLY ON IT. SO I LOOK
2 FORWARD TO A SUCCESSFUL WAY FORWARD AND THANK YOU.

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4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. ARNOLD SACHS.

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6 **ARNOLD SACHS:** YES, THANK YOU. GOOD AFTERNOON. ARNOLD SACHS.
7 FASCINATING DISCUSSION. LOTS OF POINTS TO DISCUSS. DR. KATZ'
8 ACKNOWLEDGMENT THAT THE COUNTY IS DOING SO WELL AT THE
9 HOSPITALS MUST MEAN THAT IT'S A FAR CRY FROM LIKE 2008 AND
10 2009 WHEN M.L.K. WAS SINKING LIKE A ROCK AND EVENTUALLY
11 CLOSED. SO THE CHANGE AND THE TURN-AROUND IS SOMETHING TO
12 BEHOLD. AND THE FACT THAT COUNTY U.S.C., THE WAIT TIME AT
13 COUNTY U.S.C. HAS DIMINISHED FROM A LONG DAY TO A SHORT DAY.
14 BUT A COUPLE THINGS ARE VERY INTERESTING. AND IT WAS GOOD TO
15 SEE YOU ON T.V., YESTERDAY, SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY AND
16 DISCUSSING HEALTHCARE. AND THE POINT THAT A COUPLE OF
17 SUPERVISORS MADE ABOUT WANTING THE COUNTY EMPLOYEES TO BE
18 INVOLVED IN BEING ABLE TO SIGN UP FOR THIS PROGRAM. SO WHY NOT
19 ENACT -- INSTEAD OF COMING BACK WITH A REPORT BEFORE THE
20 BOARD, WHY NOT ENACT OR PUT A MOTION THROUGH TO ENACT AND HAVE
21 THEM CHECK TO CREATE SOMETHING LIKE A LIVING WAGE ORDINANCE
22 WHERE YOU COULD PAY MORE MONEY, BUT THEN COUNTY EMPLOYEES
23 WOULD PAY FOR THEIR HEALTHCARE? OR AS YOU SAID YESTERDAY ON
24 TELEVISION, SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY, THAT THE COUNTY PROVIDES
25 YOUR HEALTH INSURANCE. THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THE FACT THAT



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1 THE HEALTH INSURANCE PROVIDERS IS THE COUNTY TO YOU AND
2 SOMEBODY WHO HAS NO HEALTH INSURANCE WHEN THEY GO TO THE
3 EMERGENCY ROOM AND WHEN YOU WOULD GO TO THE EMERGENCY ROOM,
4 THE COST DIFFERENTIAL, MAYBE YOU COULD SET UP A PLATEAU WHERE
5 PEOPLE PAY AFTER THEY REACH THAT POINT. LIKE LET'S SAY THE
6 EMERGENCY ROOM IS \$1,000. AFTER THAT, IF YOU WANT TO BE ABLE
7 TO GO TO A BETTER EMERGENCY ROOM, LIKE THE PROGRAM WILL BE,
8 YOU PAY MORE MONEY SO THAT THE COUNTY BECAUSE -- IN ESSENCE,
9 THE COUNTY PROVIDING YOUR HEALTH INSURANCE IS THE SAME THING
10 AS THE COUNTY PROVIDING SOMEBODY WHO HAS NO HEALTH INSURANCE
11 THEIR HEALTH INSURANCE. THE PUBLIC IS PAYING ONE WAY OR THE
12 OTHER. ONLY WHEN THEY PAY FOR YOUR HEALTH INSURANCE THE COST
13 IS SO MUCH MORE BECAUSE THE DOCTORS YOU MAY GO TO SEE MAY BE
14 AT A PRIVATE HOSPITAL WHERE THE COSTS ARE MORE EXPENSIVE THAN
15 AT A COUNTY INSTITUTE. AND THERE IS A REAL DIFFERENCE RIGHT
16 THERE. SO MAYBE WE COULD CHECK AND SEE HOW THAT DIFFERENTIAL
17 WILL WORK OUT. SOMETHING TO LOOK AT. MAYBE TO EQUAL THE
18 PLAYING FIELD FOR ALL INVOLVED. YOU WANT THE COUNTY EMPLOYEES
19 TO BE INVOLVED IN THE PROGRAM. LOOK AT THE PLAYING FIELD THAT
20 EVERYBODY'S IN THE GAME ON. THANK YOU.

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22 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. ALL RIGHT. THERE'S NO
23 ACTION HERE. IT'S JUST A REPORT, SO WE'LL RECEIVE AND FILE IT
24 WITHOUT OBJECTION.

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1 **SUP. KNABE:** --

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3 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** AS USUAL, WE THANK DR. KATZ FOR
4 BEING ON HIS GAME AND AHEAD OF THE GAME. THANK YOU. DO WE HAVE
5 ANY OTHER ITEMS OTHER THAN THIS? JOSE CASTENEDA HERE? IS MR.
6 CASTENEDA HERE? ASKED TO BE HEARD ON CS-4?

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8 **SUP. KNABE:** MR. CHAIRMAN, I JUST WOULD ADD ON DR. KATZ, THANK
9 YOU FOR THAT REPORT, BUT IN ADDITION I THINK WHAT IT REALLY
10 SHOWS IS THE TRAIN HAS LEFT THE STATION. WE CAN'T AFFORD TO
11 WAIT. AND WE APPRECIATE THE EFFORT TO SORT OF GET OUT AHEAD
12 EVEN THOUGH THERE ARE A LOT, STILL A LOT OF UNANSWERED
13 QUESTIONS, UNWRITTEN POLICY QUESTIONS AND POLICY RULES, AT
14 LEAST I THINK WE'RE IN THE RIGHT MODE TO TAKE THE RIGHT STEPS
15 AND APPRECIATE DR. KATZ'S ATTENTION TO DETAIL.

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17 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. NOW WE HAVE PUBLIC COMMENT,
18 IS THAT WHERE WE ARE NOW? I'M SORRY. SUPERVISOR KNABE.

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20 **SUP. KNABE:** THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN. FIRST OF ALL I'D LIKE TO
21 ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF ROBERT LEE SHARON, BETTER KNOWN AS BOBBY.
22 A YOUNG GENTLEMAN, AGE OF 41 WHO PASSED AWAY ON JULY 11 FROM
23 COMPLICATIONS FROM OPEN HEART SURGERY. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS
24 WIFE, JENNIFER; SON, ZACHARY; AND NEWBORN TWINS BLAKE AND AVA.
25 ALSO SURVIVED BY MOTHER, NANCY PIAZZA; AND STEPFATHER, RON



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1 PIAZZA; FATHER, JAMES SHARON; SISTERS, VICKI AND PAIGE;
2 BROTHER, KEITH; STEPBROTHER, STEVE AND SHAWN; AND MANY NIECES
3 AND NEPHEWS. SO VERY TOUGH STRUGGLE THE LAST FEW WEEKS AND OUR
4 THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS ARE WITH THE FAMILY. ALSO WE ADJOURN IN
5 MEMORY OF HARRY LAZENBY, WHO PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 91 ON
6 JUNE 27. HE SERVED IN THE UNITED STATES ARMY. HE WAS MARRIED
7 TO HIS BEAUTIFUL WIFE, OLIVE, FOR 68 YEARS. HE HAD THREE
8 CHILDREN. HE WAS A LAND SURVEYOR BY TRADE. HE IS SURVIVED BY
9 HIS LOVING WIFE, OLIVE; HIS THREE CHILDREN; A GOOD FRIEND,
10 BRUCE, GARY AND SCOTT; SEVEN GRANDCHILDREN AND SEVEN GREAT
11 GRANDCHILDREN. HE'LL BE MISSED BY ALL WHO KNEW HIM. ALSO WE
12 ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF MR. HENRY VERHOEVEN OF BELLFLOWER WHO
13 PASSED AWAY AFTER A LONG BATTLE WITH CANCER. HE WAS OWNER AND
14 C.E.O. OF THE ARTESIA YEAST COMPANY, LATER KNOWN AS SUPERENE
15 FEED COMPANY IN CYPRESS. HE WAS A FOUNDING MEMBER OF THE THIRD
16 CHRISTIAN REFORM CHURCH IN BELLFLOWER, NOW KNOWN AS OF
17 ROSEWOOD. HE LOVED HIS FAMILY AND FRIENDS, SPORTS, TRAVEL. HE
18 WAS VERY INVOLVED IN THE AIRSTREAM TRAVEL CLUB. HE IS SURVIVED
19 BY HIS WIFE OF 70 YEARS, LORRAINE, TWO DAUGHTERS, GLENDA
20 OLIVER, A GOOD FRIEND AND PAM TAZELAAR, SIX GRANDCHILDREN AND
21 SIX GREAT GRANDCHILDREN. ALSO WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF LESTER
22 BUCKLEY LYDON, LIFETIME RESIDENT OF LAKEWOOD WHO PASSED AWAY
23 AT THE YOUNG AGE OF 69. HE WAS AN HONORED AND ADMIRER EMPLOYEE
24 OF THE OROWHEAT BREAD COMPANY. HE WAS ALSO COMMONLY KNOWN AS
25 BUCK BECAUSE HE FOUND HIS PASSION IN FISHING, MAKING HIS



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1 GOLFING TIME WITH FRIENDS. HE WAS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE,
2 PAMELA; DAUGHTERS, LESLIE AND SUSAN; GRANDCHILDREN, CAITLIN
3 AND BREANNA, STEVEN AND PAIGE; BROTHERS AND SISTERS. THOSE ARE
4 MY ADJOURNMENTS.

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6 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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8 **SUP. KNABE:** MR. CHAIRMAN, I HAVE A READ-IN MOTION FOR NEXT
9 WEEK. "THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
10 CORPORATION, BETTER KNOWN AS L.A.D.C., FILM L.A., THE
11 CALIFORNIA FILM COMMISSION, AND THE SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA
12 ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS HAVE JOINED TOGETHER TO HELP
13 PROTECT THE MORE THAN 6,600 BUSINESS ESTABLISHMENTS THAT
14 COMPRISE CALIFORNIA'S FILM, TELEVISION AND COMMERCIAL
15 PRODUCTION INDUSTRY, AND MORE IMPORTANTLY, THE HUNDREDS OF
16 THOUSANDS OF JOBS SUPPORTED BY THE ENTERTAINMENT INDUSTRY
17 THROUGHOUT THE STATE. I BELIEVE LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHOULD BE A
18 LEADER AND PARTNER IN THIS EFFORT, AS WELL. ACCORDING TO THE
19 L.A.D.C., THE ENTERTAINMENT INDUSTRY ACCOUNTS FOR 176,700 JOBS
20 AND OVER \$30 BILLION IN SPENDING IN THE SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA
21 REGION. IN FACT, IT IS THE THIRD LARGEST INDUSTRY IN OUR
22 COUNTY, BEHIND THE INTERNATIONAL TRADE AND TOURISM. HOWEVER
23 OUR HISTORY AS THE ENTERTAINMENT CAPITOL OF THE WORLD IS AT
24 RISK EVERY DAY. BY 2010 OVER 40 STATES AND NUMEROUS COUNTRIES
25 AROUND THE WORLD OFFER FILM INCENTIVES AND ARE COMPETING VERY



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1 AGGRESSIVELY FOR OUR BUSINESS. AS A RESULT, THE PERCENTAGE OF
2 MOVIES SHOT IN CALIFORNIA HAS GONE FROM OVER 66 PERCENT TO
3 LESS THAN 40 PERCENT IN A FEW SHORT YEARS. THIS LOSS HAS HAD A
4 REAL ECONOMIC IMPACT. ACCORDING TO A 2005 REPORT COMMISSIONED
5 BY THE CALIFORNIA FILM COMMISSION, 10 FEATURE FILMS WHICH ARE
6 BUDGETS MORE THAN \$70 MILLION THAT LEAVE THE STATE MEANS A
7 LOSS OF \$106 MILLION IN STATE REVENUES, NOT TO MENTION ALL THE
8 HIGH VALUE JOBS OF SMALL BUSINESSES SUCH AS HOTELS,
9 RESTAURANTS, DRY CLEANERS, CATERERS THAT WILL BE LOST, AS
10 WELL. IN RESPONSE, ON MAY 1, 2012, THE CALIFORNIA FILM
11 COMMISSION ADOPTED A REVISED MODEL FILM ORDINANCE AND BEST
12 PRACTICES BASED ON EXTENSIVE STAKEHOLDER OUTREACH, TOGETHER
13 WITH S.C.A.G., FILM L.A. AND THE L.A.D.C. THE PURPOSE OF A
14 STANDARDIZED STATEWIDE ORDINANCE IS TO PROVIDE THE
15 ENTERTAINMENT INDUSTRY WITH A UNIFORM SET OF POLICIES AND
16 PROCEDURES TO SECURE ON-LOCATION PRODUCTION THAT WILL
17 STREAMLINE THE PERMITTING PROCESS AND SEND A CLEAR SIGNAL THAT
18 THIS IS A COVETED INDUSTRY HERE IN THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA AND
19 WE WANT TO RETAIN THAT BUSINESS AND THOSE JOBS. WHILE A FEW
20 CITIES HAVE ALREADY TAKEN STEPS TO REVISE THEIR ORDINANCE IN
21 ACCORDANCE WITH THE M.F.O.B.P.S, I BELIEVE LOS ANGELES COUNTY
22 SHOULD TAKE THE LEAD IN THIS EFFORT AND ADOPT THE CALIFORNIA
23 FILM COMMISSION'S MODEL FILM ORDINANCE AND BEST PRACTICES AND
24 MAKE AN EFFORT TO REACH OUT AND ENCOURAGE ALL OF OUR 88 CITIES
25 IN THE COUNTY TO DO THE SAME. SO I WOULD MOVE THAT THE BOARD



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1 OF SUPERVISORS OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY DIRECT OUR C.E.O. TO
2 REVISE THE COUNTY'S CURRENT FILM ORDINANCE IN ACCORDANCE WITH
3 THE RECENTLY REVISED CALIFORNIA FILM COMMISSION'S MODEL FILM
4 ORDINANCE AND REVIEW THE FILM COMMISSION'S SUGGESTED BEST
5 PRACTICES FOR INCORPORATION INTO THE COUNTY'S ORDINANCE TO THE
6 EXTENT PRACTICAL AND BRING THOSE REVISIONS BACK TO THE BOARD
7 WITHIN 30 DAYS FOR ADOPTION." AND THIS IS FOR NEXT WEEK. THANK
8 YOU.

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10 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY.

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12 **SUP. KNABE:** THAT'S IT.

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14 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. WE HAVE QUITE A FEW
15 PEOPLE WHO HAVE ASKED TO BE HEARD ON PUBLIC COMMENT. SO I'LL
16 CALL FOUR AT A TIME. DIANA BEARD WILLIAMS. DID THEY ALL LEAVE?
17 (OFF MIC). OKAY. THANK YOU. THANK YOU. THANK YOU. IS THAT YOUR
18 MOTION, MR. KNABE? SO WE'LL GIVE EACH OF THE PEOPLE ONE MINUTE
19 TO SPEAK JUST TO TRY TO MANAGE THE TIME. DIANA BEARD WILLIAMS
20 IS NOT HERE. JULIO RENDON DONE.

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22 **JULIO RENDON:** I AM HERE.

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24 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** JULIO RENDON, I GUESS.

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1 **DIANA BEARD WILLIAMS:** I AM HERE.

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3 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OH IS THIS IN LANCASTER? OKAY. GO
4 AHEAD.

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6 **DIANA BEARD WILLIAMS:** ONE MINUTE REALLY DOES NOT ALLOW ME TO
7 SAY ALL THAT I WANTED TO SAY ABOUT THE MICHAEL ANTONOVICH
8 COURTHOUSE AND HOW I FEEL THAT THERE NEEDS TO BE AN AUDIT OF
9 THAT COURTHOUSE. BUT SIMPLY I WILL SAY THIS IN OPENING. I WILL
10 BE HERE EVERY WEEK AND EVERY WEEK I WILL SPEAK ON A DIFFERENT
11 TOPIC REGARDING WHAT IS HAPPENING IN THE ANTELOPE VALLEY. I
12 HAVE 90 DAYS, I'M FILING A WRIT OF CERTIORI WITH U.S. SUPREME
13 COURT DUE TO A CASE THAT WAS HEARD IN LANCASTER WHICH I THINK
14 WAS DECEPTIVE, FRAUDULENT AND CORRUPT. AND I CAME BEFORE THIS
15 BOARD ABOUT A YEAR AGO AND MENTIONED IT AND THE VERY NEXT DAY
16 THE DECISION AGAINST ME FOR \$100,000 WAS REVOKED AND REVISED
17 BY THE COURT AND BY THE LAWYER. HOWEVER, THEY LEFT THE DOES ON
18 THE CASE AS PUNISHMENT TO ME AND NOW WE ARE IN THE U.S.
19 SUPREME COURT. I AM NOT AN IDIOT. I AM EXTREMELY INTELLIGENT.
20 I AM WELL EDUCATED. AND I PLAN TO BRING FORTH FROM THIS POINT
21 ON ALL OF THE CORRUPTION THAT I FIND IN THAT COURTHOUSE AND
22 WITH THE JUDGES AND TO NAME NAMES, DATES AND TIMES BEFORE THIS
23 PANEL AND BEFORE THE U.S. SUPREME COURT.

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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MS. WILLIAMS.
2 JULIO RENDON? MARICELLA GARZA CRISTIAN CHAVARRIA? AMEER
3 MARTIN? TROY ISAAC? COME ON DOWN, AMEER. TROY ISAAC? COME ON
4 UP. ERNEST SHEPARD? FANYA BARUTI? IS FANYA BARUTI HERE?
5 SEBASTIAN HERNANDEZ? WHOOPS. HANG ON A SECOND. YEAH, THESE
6 THREE, THESE TWO GENTLEMEN WERE CALLED. SO LET'S TAKE THEM ONE
7 AT A TIME. AMEER, YOU'RE UP FIRST.

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9 **AMEER MARTIN:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS AMEER MARTIN. I'M HERE
10 WITH YOUTH JUSTICE COALITION. AND BASICALLY TODAY WE'RE HERE
11 BECAUSE WE WANT TO END THE JAIL-TO-SCHOOL TRACK. IN ADDITION,
12 THE FUNDS THAT ARE GOING TOWARDS SPENDING THE JAIL SYSTEM, WE
13 THINK THAT THOSE FUNDS SHOULD BE USED TO INCREASE EDUCATION.
14 WE'RE HIGH SCHOOL AND WE SEE THAT EDUCATION IS AN ALTERNATIVE
15 TO INCARCERATION. A LOT OF FUNDS THAT ARE BEING SPENT ON
16 INCARCERATING OUR YOUTH CAN BE REDIRECTED IN A MORE POSITIVE
17 WAY. THEY COULD BE USED TO HELP THE STUDENTS GET JOBS, TO
18 IMPROVE THEIR SCHOOLS, TO KEEP THEM OUT OF THE JAIL. SO
19 BASICALLY TODAY WE'RE ASKING THAT THE MONEY THAT THIS
20 COMMITTEE IS CONSIDERING GIVING TO THE EXPANSION OF JAILS,
21 THAT THAT MONEY BE REDISTRIBUTED TO THE COMMUNITY AND TO THE
22 STUDENTS OF L.A.

23

24 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. TROY ISAAC?

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1 **TROY ISAAC:** YES. GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS TROY ISAAC, I'M A
2 HUMAN RIGHTS ADVOCATE. I'M WORKING WITH THE YOUTH JUSTICE
3 COALITION. AND WHAT REALLY CONCERNS ME IS THAT SHERIFF LEE
4 BACA CANNOT CONTROL THE JAILS THAT HE'S RUNNING NOW. TO EXPAND
5 THAT WOULD BE SUCH AN INJUSTICE. WE HAVE TOO MANY HUMAN RIGHTS
6 VIOLATIONS AS IT IS. I HAVE SPENT OVER 24 YEARS OF MY LIFE IN
7 JAIL AND PRISON, AND NOW I WORK CLOSELY WITH LAW ENFORCEMENT.
8 I WORK CLOSELY WITH THE LOS ANGELES POLICE DEPARTMENT. AND I
9 WENT FROM SITTING IN THE BACK OF A POLICE CAR TO SITTING IN
10 THE FRONT WITH VICTIMS OF RAPE. SO I KNOW HOW IT IS AND I KNOW
11 WHAT WE CAN DO TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE. LIFE SKILL COACHING IS SO
12 KEY. IF WE CAN INCORPORATE THAT SOMEHOW SOME WAY, WE WILL
13 DECREASE RECIDIVISM AND OVERCROWDING. THANK YOU.

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15 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. ERNEST SHEPARD?

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17 **ERNEST SHEPARD:** YES. I JUST WOULD LIKE TO TAKE JUST ONE MOMENT
18 JUST TO SHARE ONE BROAD THOUGHT THAT I THINK THAT EVERYONE CAN
19 AGREE UPON, WHATEVER SIDE OF THESE CONTROVERSIAL ISSUES
20 REGARDING FUNDINGS A PERSON EXISTS ON. AND THIS IS THAT GUYS
21 COMING OUT NEED BASIC THINGS TO REINTEGRATE INTO SOCIETY.
22 EVERYONE INVOLVED IN ANY KIND OF FUNDING WOULD HAVE TO
23 UNDERSTAND THAT A GUY COMING OUT NEEDS A CALIFORNIA I.D. CARD,
24 FOR INSTANCE, NEEDS CAB CARDS TO NAVIGATE THE CITY, FOR
25 INSTANCE, NEEDS THE BASIC THINGS, NEEDS ACCESS TO SOCIAL



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1 SECURITY, NEEDS ACCESS TO MEDI-CAL, NEEDS ACCESS TO THE BASIC
2 THINGS FOR HIM TO RELATE TO SOCIETY IN A LEGAL WAY RATHER THAN
3 RESORT TO ILLEGAL THINGS. ANY AGENCY THAT EXISTS INVOLVED IN
4 THE RE-ENTRY OF PEOPLE INTO SOCIETY MUST ADDRESS THESE
5 ESSENTIAL THINGS IN ORDER TO BE VIABLE.

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7 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. FANYA BARUTI.

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9 **FANYA BARUTI:** FANYA BARUTI, ALL OF US OR NONE ORGANIZER. THERE
10 ARE SEVERAL REPORTS OUT THAT HAS IMPLICATIONS OF HOW THE
11 MONIES FROM A.B.900 SHOULD BE ALLOCATED TO COMMUNITY-BASED AND
12 FAITH-BASED ORGANIZATIONS. THE AUSTIN REPORT, THE VERA REPORT.
13 THERE'S A CURB REPORT. THERE'S ALSO ANOTHER REPORT FROM
14 Y.J.C., WELCOME HOME L.A. AND I JUST REALLY THINK THAT IT'S A
15 DISSERVICE THAT WE PRESENT CONCRETE WAYS THAT YOU CAN UTILIZE
16 THIS MONEY TO STOP JAIL EXPANSION, CREATE MORE JOB
17 OPPORTUNITIES AND DRUG ADDICTION REHABILITATION THAN TO JAIL
18 PEOPLE. IT'S JUST TOTALLY OUTRAGEOUS THAT THIS BOARD IS NOT
19 CONSIDERING THE REPORTS THAT DON'T COST A LOT OF MONEY TO BE
20 PLACED UPON YOU. AND SO I JUST REALLY HOPE THAT YOU DO THE
21 RIGHT THING AND UNDERSTAND THAT WE ARE GOING OUT TALKING TO
22 VOTERS IN YOUR AREAS.

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24 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY, THANK YOU MR. BARUTI. JULIO
25 RENDON?



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JULIO RENDON: (SPANISH) GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS JULIO RENDON,
AND I LIVE IN THE CITY OF BELL. THE REASON THAT I'M HERE IS TO
GET SOME ASSISTANCE IN MONITORING THE BANKS THAT DEAL WITH
LOAN MODIFICATION. I'VE BEEN DEALING WITH HEALTH ISSUES. I'VE
BEEN DEALING WITH CHASE BANK. I HAVE ALREADY SUBMITTED 16 LOAN
MODIFICATIONS, AND EVERY TIME THAT I GET TO FILE THEM, I DON'T
GET ANY ASSISTANCE FROM THEM. I'VE BEEN CALLING THEM EVERY
DAY. AND THEY NEVER SEEM TO BE THERE TO ASSIST ME. AND IT'S
BEEN AFFECTING MY HEALTH. IT'S IMMORAL ISSUES THAT I'VE BEEN
DEALING WITH. AND NO ONE SEEMS TO BE THERE TO ASSIST ME WITH
THE LOAN MODIFICATION.

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SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN: OKAY. THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR
MOLINA?

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SUP. MOLINA: (SPANISH) .

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SPEAKER: (SPANISH) .

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SUP. MOLINA: (SPANISH) .

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SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN: OKAY. THANK YOU. ARE YOU MARICELLA
GARZA? JUST ONE SECOND. LET ME CALL A FEW MORE PEOPLE DOWN.
SEBASTIAN HERNANDEZ? CATALINA HERNANDEZ? IS CATALINA HERNANDEZ



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1 HERE? MARY SUTTON. JOANNE BERLIN? THAT'S IT. OKAY. MARICELLA
2 GARZA?

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4 **MARICELLA GARZA:** (SPANISH) MY NAME IS MARICELLA GARZA. AND I'M
5 HERE TO BASICALLY LET YOU KNOW THAT I'M FACING EVICTION. I'M
6 HERE, AS SHE HAD MENTIONED, IS FOR THE FACING EVICTION AND SHE
7 ALSO HAS A FAMILY. AND SHE'S VERY CONCERNED BECAUSE NO ONE
8 SEEMS TO BE THERE TO ASSIST HER WITH THIS ISSUE. SHE'S BEEN
9 ASKING ASSISTANCE WITH SEVERAL ATTORNEYS AND THEY SEEM TO NOT
10 REALLY BEEN HELPING HER AT ALL. SHE'S VERY CONCERNED BECAUSE
11 SHE'S VERY CLOSE TO BEING EVICTED FROM HER PROPERTY. AND HER
12 LITTLE GIRLS THAT HAS BEEN ASKING HER EVERY DAY, ARE WE READY
13 TO LEAVE? SO SHE DOESN'T KNOW EXACTLY WHEN SHE'S GOING TO BE
14 EVICTED BUT SHE WANTS TO MANAGE TO STOP THAT AND GET SOME
15 ASSISTANCE ON THIS MATTER.

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17 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. AGAIN PERHAPS WE CAN CONNECT
18 THEM WITH?

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20 **SUP. MOLINA:** (SPANISH) .

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22 **MARICELLA GARZA:** (SPANISH) .

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24 **SUP. MOLINA:** (SPANISH) .

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1 **MARICELLA GARZA:** (SPANISH)

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3 **SUP. MOLINA:** (SPANISH) .

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5 **MARICELLA GARZA:** OCCUPY L.A.

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7 **SUP. MOLINA:** OCCUPY L.A. LE MANDO?

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9 **MARICELLA MOLINA:** SI.

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11 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. THANK YOU. SEBASTIAN

12 HERNANDEZ? MR. HERNANDEZ?

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14 **SEBASTIAN HERNANDEZ:** (SPANISH) I'M HERE BECAUSE I HAVE A
15 CONCERN WITH THE KIDS THAT ARE BEING IN JAIL. I BELIEVE IT'S
16 INHUMANE. IT'S UNJUST. AND THERE'S SOMETHING TO BE DONE ABOUT
17 IT. THEY ARE CHARGED AS BEING ADULTS AND MOST OF THE TIME THEY
18 GET THE WRONG SENTENCE FOR THEIR CRIME. AS FOR BEING MINORS,
19 THEY ACTUALLY NEED A SECOND OPPORTUNITY. SO THAT MONEY THAT
20 ARE BEING USED TO BUILD NEW JAILS, WE SHOULD USE IT FOR NEW
21 RESOURCES TO HELP THEM ASSIST WITH HOW TO LIVE A BETTER LIFE.
22 TO GIVE THEM A BETTER ORIENTATION. THAT DOESN'T MEAN THAT THEY
23 ARE MEAN KIDS. IT'S JUST THAT THEY ARE NOT REALLY PROPER
24 RAISED. SO IT'S BETTER TO ASSIST THEM BEFORE THEY COMMIT ANY



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1 CRIME, SO THAT'S WHY WE NEED THESE RESOURCES AND WE CAN STOP
2 THEM BY GOING TO JAIL.

3

4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. BEFORE I CALL ON MARY
5 SUTTON, LET ME CALL A COUPLE MORE PEOPLE UP. PORFIRIO
6 CHRISTIAN? AND RITA LOWENTHAL? OKAY. MS. SUTTON.

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8 **MARY SUTTON:** MY NAME IS MARY SUTTON, I'M REPRESENTING
9 C.U.R.B., CALIFORNIANS UNITED FOR A RESPONSIBLE BUDGET, AN
10 ALLIANCE OF NOW OVER 60 ORGANIZATIONS ACROSS THE STATE
11 FIGHTING PRISON AND JAIL EXPANSION. I'D LIKE TO BRING YOUR
12 ATTENTION TO SEVERAL LETTERS WE'VE SUBMITTED TO THE BOARD OF
13 SUPERVISORS OVER THE LAST FEW MONTHS. THE MOST RECENT ONE WAS
14 WEDNESDAY EVENING. WE ASKED TO BE PUT ON THE AGENDA AT THIS
15 MEETING TO DISCUSS THE ISSUES OF RE-ALIGNMENT DOLLARS, A.B.109
16 AND PRISON EXPANSION, A.B.900. OUR RECOMMENDATIONS ENCOMPASS
17 THE FOLLOWING DEMANDS. AND WE HOPE TO BE PUT ON A FUTURE
18 AGENDA. AND I AM FORMALLY SUBMITTING THE REQUEST AND OUR
19 RECOMMENDATIONS. WE HAVE ASKED THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
20 PUT THE FOLLOWING PROPOSAL ON THE TABLE. NO MORE PRISONS,
21 JAILS, REDUCE PRISON POPULATION AND REINVEST DOLLARS, SAVE IN
22 SERVICES JOBS, PROGRAMS AND CREATING SAFER HEALTH COMMUNITIES.
23 WHEREAS INDIVIDUALS BEING RELEASED UNDER A.B.109 ARE NOT BEING
24 PROVIDED WITH SERVICES, REFERRALS, TRANSPORTATION AND OPTIONS,
25 I'M GOING TO FINISH MY LETTER BECAUSE YOU DID NOT RESPOND TO



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1 MY LETTER, WHEREAS L.A. COUNTY HAS NOT YET ENACTED THE
2 RECOMMENDATIONS MADE BY THE VERA REPORT, AUSTIN REPORT, THE
3 A.C.L.U. WHEREAS L.A. COUNTY STAKEHOLDERS HAVE NOT COMMUNITY-
4 BASED AND FAITH-BASED ORGANIZATIONS INTO THE REALIGNMENT PLAN
5 WHEREAS THE PROBATION DEPARTMENT'S REPORT IS NOT ASSURING
6 THEY'RE WORKING WITH COMMUNITY-BASED ORGANIZATIONS, WHEREAS
7 L.A. COUNTY IS HOLDING \$90 MILLION OF UNSPENT A.B. --

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9 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** MISS SUTTON YOU'VE MADE YOUR
10 POINT. JOANNE BERLIN?

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12 **MARY SUTTON:** WE REQUEST THAT YOU SUPPORT A RE-ALIGNMENT (OFF
13 MIC) .

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15 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** JOANNE BERLIN.

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17 **MARY SUTTON:** ADVISORY COMMITTEE THAT WE CAN ALL PARTICIPATE
18 IN.

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20 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** NOW YOU'RE PREVENTING ONE OF YOUR
21 COLLEAGUES FROM SPEAKING.

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23 **MARY SUTTON:** THE RIGHT THING.

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25 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** JOANNE?



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2 **MARY SUTTON:** THIS IS WHY WE'RE HERE TODAY. OVER 100 PEOPLE
3 FROM THE COMMUNITY. [APPLAUSE.]

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5 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** YOU'RE MAKING A GREAT IMPRESSION.

6

7 **MARY SUTTON:** PERHAPS YOU WOULD LIKE TO ARREST ME? PERHAPS YOU
8 WOULD LIKE TO ARREST ME?

9

10 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** YOU KNOW, THAT IS REALLY -- YOU'RE
11 MAKING A GREAT IMPRESSION AND A GREAT EXAMPLE FOR ALL THE
12 PEOPLE YOU BROUGHT HERE. ALL RIGHT? (BOOS) I KNOW YOU HAVE.

13

14 **MARY SUTTON:** TO HAVE A PROPER DISCUSSION ON THESE ISSUES. RE-
15 ALIGNMENT AND JAIL EXPANSION CANNOT BE SEPARATED. YOU MUST
16 LISTEN TO THE DEMAND.

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18 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** GENTLY ESCORT HER OUT.

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20 **MARY SUTTON:** OVER 100 PEOPLE THAT ARE HERE WITH ME.
21 [APPLAUSE.]

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23 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** MISS BERLIN?

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1 **JOANNE BERLIN:** MY NAME IS JOANNE BERLIN. AND I'M HERE BECAUSE
2 I'M INVOLVED IN SOMETHING CALLED THE COMMITTEE FOR RACIAL
3 JUSTICE. I'M CONCERNED ABOUT THE MASS INCARCERATION THAT HAS
4 DEVELOPED IN THIS COUNTRY AND IN THIS STATE AND IN THIS COUNTY
5 IN RECENT TIMES, IN RECENT YEARS. I WOULD RECOMMEND TO ALL OF
6 YOU WHO ARE GOING TO BE MAKING DECISIONS ABOUT REALIGNMENT AND
7 ABOUT BUILDING NEW PRISONS AND JAILS, THAT YOU INFORM
8 YOURSELVES BY READING A BOOK BY MICHELLE ALEXANDER CALLED THE
9 NEW JIM CROW. [APPLAUSE.] THIS REALLY SPELLS OUT HOW THE DRUG
10 WAR HAS PARTICIPATED AND CONTRIBUTED TO JUST FUNNELING MASSIVE
11 NUMBERS OF PEOPLE OF COLOR INTO THE PRISON INDUSTRIAL COMPLEX
12 THAT WE HAVE. I DON'T WANT ANY MORE JAILS BUILT. I WANT PEOPLE
13 WHO ARE NONVIOLENT BREAKERS OF LAW TO HAVE SOME OTHER WAY TO
14 BE DEALT WITH OTHER THAN JAILS.

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16 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

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18 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** EVA HOLMES? IS EVA HOLMES HERE?
19 RODRIGO VASQUEZ? BILAL ALI? HAD TO LEAVE? PAUL BELINS? OKAY.
20 COME ON DOWN. PORFIRIO?

21

22 **PORFIRIO CHRISTIAN:** IT'S ACTUALLY PORFILIO. ANYHOW, JIM CROW'S
23 STILL AROUND, DUH, ANY WHO. SO I'M A YOUTH ORGANIZER FOR THE
24 YOUTH JUSTICE COALITION. FOR THE LAST FOUR MONTHS AND A HALF
25 LIKE I'VE BEEN PART OF LIKE THIS PROGRAM CALLED WELCOME HOME



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1 L.A. WHICH BASICALLY WE PROVIDE RESOURCES FOR PEOPLE THAT JUST
2 GOT OUT OF JAIL, PRISON, ET CETERA, ET CETERA. AND I WAS
3 ACTUALLY TOUCHED BY THE STORIES THAT THEY TOLD ME LIKE HOW
4 BADLY THEY WERE TREATED IN JAIL, BADLY FED. SOLITARY
5 CONFINEMENT ALL THESE NASTY STORIES LIKE THAT ARE GOING ON IN
6 THERE THAT AREN'T BEING EXPOSED TO THE PUBLIC. WHY AREN'T THEY
7 SAYING THIS STUFF? THIS IS VALUABLE INFORMATION THAT A LOT OF
8 PEOPLE HAVE TO KNOW. I'M NOT GOING TO WASTE MY TIME WITH YOU
9 GUYS, SO IT'S LIKE, I DON'T KNOW, LIKE I REALLY DIDN'T PREP
10 MUCH TO EVEN TALK ABOUT THIS, BUT LIKE A LOT OF THESE PEOPLE
11 HAVE STORIES TO SAY. THEY'VE BEEN SILENT FOR 45 YEARS, 50
12 YEARS, HALF OF THEIR LIFE HAVE BEEN BASICALLY TRAPPED INSIDE A
13 LITTLE CELL WHERE THEY CAN'T EVEN LIKE LEAVE AND ENJOY THEIR
14 LIVES, YOU KNOW WHAT I MEAN? IT'S RIDICULOUS, I SWEAR. GOD
15 DAMN IT.

16

17 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** RITA LOWENTHAL?

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19 **RITA LOWENTHAL:** HI, I'M REPRESENTING TWO ORGANIZATIONS. ONE IS
20 INTERFAITH COMMUNITIES UNITED FOR PEACE AND JUSTICE AND THE
21 OTHER IS A NEW PATH, MOMS AGAINST THE WAR ON DRUGS. WE'RE HERE
22 TO SAY PLEASE QUIT SPENDING MONEY ON THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE
23 SYSTEM. PUT ADDICTION, ILLNESS INTO THE COMMUNITY HEALTH
24 SYSTEM WHERE IT BELONGS. IT DOES NOT BELONG IN THE CRIMINAL



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1 JUSTICE SYSTEM. [APPLAUSE.] AND GET YOUR MONEY OUT OF THERE
2 AND PUT IT WHERE IT BELONGS.

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4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. EVA HOLMES?

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6 **EVA HOLMES:** TO THE BOARD AND TO MY FATHER. MY SLAVE NAME IS
7 EVA HOLMES, MY AFRICAN NAME IS YA ASATUA FROM KUMASI GHANA.
8 AND THAT MEANS WARRIOR. I WILL BE VERY BRIEF. IF WE USE SOME
9 OF THIS MONEY FOR EDUCATION -- AND BY THE WAY, THAT IS MY
10 BACKGROUND -- THEN WE WON'T NEED PRISONS. WE SHOULD BE ABLE TO
11 STOP SOME OF OUR CHILDREN FROM GOING TO PRISON. UNTIL WE HELP
12 THE FAMILIES AND STABILIZE THEM, WE WILL CONTINUE TO HAVE THE
13 SAME PROBLEMS. I'M GOING TO LEAVE YOU WITH THIS, AND I'M SO
14 SORRY THAT THE YOUNG PEOPLE LEFT. HOLD UP YOUR HEAD. PULL UP
15 YOUR PANTS. AND NEVER GIVE UP. AND THERE IS ONE GROUP THAT
16 SAYS NEVER AGAIN. AND WE NEED TO DO SOMETHING TO SHORE UP.

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18 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. AZIM WONKOL? IS AZIM
19 HERE? TOCHTLI RIOS? CYNTHIA GONZALEZ? OKAY. MR. LENZ, YOU'RE
20 ON.

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22 **COLBY LENZ:** MY NAME IS COLBY LENZ, I'M HERE FOR CALIFORNIANS
23 FOR RESPONSIBLE BUDGET TO ADD MY VOICE TO THE MIX THAT SAYS NO
24 MORE MONEY FOR JAIL EXPANSION. WE NEED MONEY FOR HOUSING,
25 JOBS, EDUCATION. AND IN TERMS OF SPEAKING ABOUT A GOOD



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1 EXAMPLE, I THINK IT WOULD BE GREAT FOR THE BOARD OF
2 SUPERVISORS TO SHOW A NEW AND COMMONSENSICAL EXAMPLE TO THE
3 YOUNG PEOPLE AND TRY TO DO SOMETHING DIFFERENT. DO YOU WANT TO
4 BE KNOWN FOR MAKING THE SAME MISTAKES? FOR ADDING MORE MONEY
5 TO JAILS AND PRISONS AND TAKING AWAY THE OPPORTUNITIES THAT
6 PEOPLE NEED TO SURVIVE AND TO THRIVE? OR DO YOU WANT TO BE
7 KNOWN FOR DOING SOMETHING CREATIVE? AND FOR PAYING ATTENTION
8 TO THE COMMUNITY, FOR PAYING ATTENTION TO THE PEOPLE WHO HAVE
9 BEEN LOCKED UP WHO KNOW BEST ABOUT WHAT'S WRONG ABOUT THE
10 SYSTEM, WHAT'S NOT WORKING, AND FOR PUTTING MONEY INTO REENTRY
11 INSTEAD OF KEEPING PEOPLE LOCKED UP IN CAGES FOREVER. AND I'VE
12 BEEN SUPPORTING A COUPLE PEOPLE WHO JUST GOT OUT LAST MONTH
13 AND HAVE SEEN IN L.A. COUNTY HOW HARD IT IS TO GET THE
14 SERVICES THEY NEED TO SURVIVE AND TO THRIVE OUTSIDE THE
15 COMMUNITY. I DON'T KNOW IF THERE'S A CHANCE TO ADD SOMEONE TO
16 THE LIST BUT CHRIS SHELLY WAS FIRST NERVOUS TO SPEAK. THEY
17 JUST GOT OUT A MONTH AGO. BUT IF THERE'S A CHANCE TO ADD THEM
18 TO PUBLIC COMMENT, THAT WOULD BE GREAT.

19

20 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. AZID?

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22 **EZINNE NWANKWO:** GOOD AFTERNOON MY NAME IS EZINNE NWANKWO AND I
23 CURRENTLY GO TO CLEVELAND HIGH SCHOOL. I'M A YOUTH ORGANIZER
24 WITH THE COMMUNITY RIGHTS CAMPAIGN, WHICH IS A CIVIL RIGHTS
25 ORGANIZATION THAT WORKS WITH SCHOOLS AND WITH BLACK AND BROWN



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1 YOUTH TO END THE PRE-PRISONING CONDITIONS THAT ARE OCCURRING
2 IN SCHOOLS ALL OVER L.A. COUNTY. I AM HERE TO URGE THE BOARD
3 OF SUPERVISORS TO LOOK AT ALTERNATIVE COMMUNITY-BASED
4 SOLUTIONS TO REDUCE THE AMOUNT OF PEOPLE GOING IN AND OUT OF
5 PRISONS. PRISONS HAVE BEEN AROUND FOR SO LONG, YET PEOPLE
6 STILL FEEL UNSAFE IN THEIR COMMUNITIES. ALL THEY HAVE DONE IS
7 PUT OUR BLACK AND BROWN PEOPLE BEHIND BARS WITH NO
8 REHABILITATION SERVICES OR SUFFICIENT RESOURCES. WE ALL HAVE A
9 COMMON GOAL OF CREATING SAFE AND HEALTHY COMMUNITIES, BUT THE
10 ONLY WAY THAT WE CAN DO THAT IS TO PROVIDE OUR PEOPLE AND
11 STUDENTS WITH SCHOOLS THAT ACTUALLY HAVE RESOURCES AND HEALTH
12 CENTERS THAT ACTUALLY PROVIDE SUFFICIENT HEALTHCARE FOR THE
13 COMMUNITY. THIS PLAN DOESN'T INVOLVE BUILDING MORE PRISONS OR
14 SPENDING ANY MORE MONEY ON THEM. ALL WE ARE ASKING IS THAT 1
15 PERCENT OF THE FUNDS BE USED -- 1 PERCENT OF THE FUNDS FROM
16 LAW ENFORCEMENT BE USED TO SUPPORT THE YOUTH INSTEAD.

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18 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.] SO BEFORE I
19 BUTCHER YOUR NAME, YOU BETTER TELL MY HOW TO PRONOUNCE IT
20 CORRECTLY.

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22 **TOCHTLI RIOS:** NAWI-TOCHTLI RIOS.

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24 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** NAWI-TOCHTLI, OKAY. THANK YOU, GO
25 AHEAD.



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2 **TOCHTLI RIOS:** OKAY, SO GOOD AFTERNOON, LOS ANGELES BOARD OF
3 SUPERVISORS, MY NAME IS NAWI-TOCHTLI RIOS, A STUDENT ORGANIZER
4 OF THE COMMUNITY RIGHTS CAMPAIGN, RECENT CLEVELAND HIGH SCHOOL
5 GRADUATE, AND AN INCOMING FRESHMAN AT U.C. SANTA CRUZ.
6 CURRENTLY THE RATE OF RECIDIVISM IN CALIFORNIA IS 65 PERCENT.
7 65 PERCENT. WITH MORE THAN TWO-THIRDS OF THE INDIVIDUALS
8 RELEASED FROM PRISON RETURNING TO JAILS, AS A COMMUNITY WE
9 HAVE TO ASK OURSELVES: IS PRISON REALLY THE SOLUTION? IS
10 INVESTING \$2.6 BILLION OF OUR STATE'S DEPLETING TAX FUNDS
11 WORTH THIS OBVIOUS FAILURE? 80 PERCENT OF CALIFORNIANS DON'T
12 THINK SO. IN A COUNTRY THAT CLAIMS A DEMOCRACY, I IMPORE YOU
13 TO STOP RE-ALIGNMENT POLICIES THAT WILL ONLY INCREASE THE
14 PRISON POPULATION AND BREAK UP EVEN MORE FAMILIES AND
15 COMMUNITIES. INSTEAD, AS A MEMBER OF THE COMMUNITY RIGHTS
16 CAMPAIGN, AS A PERSON OF COLOR, A LATINA WHOSE COMMUNITY IS
17 DISPROPORTIONATELY OVERREPRESENTED IN PRISON AND ULTIMATELY AS
18 A MEMBER OF HUMAN SOCIETY, I URGE YOU TO USE COMMUNITY-BASED
19 ALTERNATIVES FOR EXISTING INMATES AND TRANSFER FUNDS FOR YOUTH
20 DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS AND PLEASE RESTORE AND GIVE US BACK OUR
21 HUMANITY AND WELL-BEING TO OUR STATE, TO OUR HOMES AND
22 FAMILIES BROKEN UP AND NEIGHBORHOODS. THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME.

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24 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY, THANK YOU. CYNTHIA?

25 [APPLAUSE.]



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CYNTHIA GONZALEZ: GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS CYNTHIA GONZALEZ,
A STUDENT ORGANIZER FOR THE COMMUNITY RIGHTS CAMPAIGN, A
RECENT GRADUATE FROM ROOSEVELT HIGH SCHOOL AND CURRENTLY
ATTENDING SAN FRANCISCO STATE. I HAVE EXPERIENCED SEEING MY
FRIENDS FALL VICTIM TO THE PRISON INDUSTRY. THEREFORE IT IS MY
DUTY TO STAND BEFORE YOU TO URGE YOU TO STOP THE EXPANSIONS OF
COUNTY JAILS IN CALIFORNIA AND THE INCARCERATION OF PEOPLE
PREDOMINANTLY COMMUNITIES OF COLOR WHO MAKE UP THE MOST PEOPLE
INCARCERATED IN JAILS. SURVEYS TAKEN BY CURB SHOW THAT 80
PERCENT OF THE POPULATION SURVEYED DO NOT WISH TO EXPAND AND
PUT MONEY IN JAILS. SO WHY NOT INVEST THE \$2.6 BILLION INTO
SERVICES INSTEAD OF PRISONS? THE COMMUNITY SERVICES OFFER MORE
BETTER SOLUTIONS RATHER THAN JUST CAGING PEOPLE UP IN PRISONS.
I REALLY WANT EVERY SINGLE ONE OF YOU TO THINK ABOUT THE
DECISIONS YOU ARE MAKING BECAUSE THESE DECISIONS WILL IMPACT
US, THE YOUTH AND THE FUTURE. SO WHAT'S IT GOING TO BE? JAILS
OR SERVICES? HEAR OUR PROTESTS BECAUSE WE, THE PEOPLE, WANT TO
SEE THE END OF THE INCARCERATION OF OUR COMMUNITIES. THANK
YOU.

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SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN: THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

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SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN: ALL RIGHT. I'M GOING TO ASK
EVERYONE NOT TO APPLAUD. IF YOU WANT TO SHOW YOUR

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1 APPRECIATION, JUST RAISE YOUR HANDS LIKE THAT BECAUSE IT TAKES
2 SOME TIME. SO LET ME CALL ON FOUR MORE PEOPLE. DANIEL HEALY,
3 DAVID STEIN, DAVID JACKSON AND ZOILA BARRIOS. MR. HEALY?

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5 **DANIEL HEALY:** GOOD AFTERNOON, HONORABLE SUPERVISORS AND THANK
6 YOU FOR YOUR SERVICE. MY NAME IS DANIEL HEALY. I'M HERE ON
7 BEHALF OF THE VIOLENCE PREVENTION COALITION OF GREATER LOS
8 ANGELES. I'M ALSO A RESIDENT OF DISTRICT 1. OUR COALITION
9 COMPRISES OF OVER 60 ORGANIZATIONS ACROSS THE COUNTY SERVING
10 OVER 1,000 PEOPLE. AND I'M HERE TO SUGGEST THAT YOU HELP
11 SUPPORT A COMMUNITY-BASED INFRASTRUCTURE AS AN ALTERNATIVE TO
12 JAIL EXPANSION. AS A COUPLE EXAMPLES, THERE'S THE PASADENA
13 ALTADENA REINTEGRATION COUNCIL AND THE WELCOME HOME RESOURCE
14 FAIR AT THE CHUCO'S JUSTICE CENTER. AND I HAVE PERSONALLY
15 WITNESSED FIRSTHAND LIVES BEING CHANGED AND COMMUNITIES COMING
16 TOGETHER. SO I THINK IT'S A GREAT, WHEN WE MENTION COMMUNITY-
17 BASED SOLUTIONS, THIS IS A TANGIBLE EXAMPLE OF WHAT THAT LOOKS
18 LIKE. THE FORMERLY INCARCERATED ARE OFTEN EMPLOYED BY THESE
19 SERVICE PROVIDERS AND THEY SERVE AS ROLE MODELS TO THE FORMER
20 INCARCERATED COMING HOME. SO I JUST SUBMIT TO YOU, LET'S FOCUS
21 ON PREVENTION. LET'S BUILD AN INFRASTRUCTURE OF LOCAL COUNCIL
22 AND SERVICE PROVIDERS ACROSS OUR COUNTY TO PARTNER WITH PUBLIC
23 AGENCIES AND LAW ENFORCEMENT TO HELP THOSE COMING HOME AND
24 THEIR FAMILIES.

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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** DAVID STEIN?

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3 **DAVID STEIN:** HELLO, BOARD, I'M WITH CRITICAL RESISTANCE AND
4 CALIFORNIANS UNITED FOR A RESPONSIBLE BUDGET BUT I'M ALSO A
5 HISTORIAN OVER AT U.S.C. AND I'VE BEEN THINKING A LOT LATELY
6 BECAUSE WE'RE APPROACHING THE 50TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE MARCH ON
7 WASHINGTON FOR JOBS AND FREEDOM. SO I THOUGHT IT WOULD BE
8 USEFUL TO REMIND YOU OF THE NUMBER 1 GOAL OF THAT MARCH,
9 BECAUSE IT IS NOT AS WELL KNOWN TODAY AS DR. KING'S I HAVE A
10 DREAM SPEECH. THE NUMBER 1 DEMAND WAS FULL EMPLOYMENT,
11 GOVERNMENTAL FULL EMPLOYMENT. RIGHT NOW IN OUR COUNTY, 38
12 PERCENT OF WORKERS UNDER 25 ARE UNDEREMPLOYED. 22 PERCENT ARE
13 UNEMPLOYED. OVERALL, OUR METRO REGION OF L.A. LONG BEACH,
14 GLENDALE HAVE THE HIGHEST RATES OF UNEMPLOYMENT AMONG THE 34
15 MOST POPULOUS REGIONS. I MIGHT LIKE TO THINK THAT THERE
16 NOTHING THAT CAN BE DONE FOR THESE PEOPLE. BUT UNFORTUNATELY,
17 AS A HISTORIAN I KNOW THAT'S WRONG. SINCE THE MARCH ON
18 WASHINGTON'S FAILURE TO WIN FULL EMPLOYMENT POLICY, WE'VE SEEN
19 PRISONS GROW BY 700 PERCENT AS OUR GOVERNMENT SOUGHT TO FIND
20 PLACES FOR WORKERS, THE PRIVATE MARKET WOULD NOT EMPLOY. AFTER
21 40 YEARS OF THIS FAILED POLICY THAT HAS DEVASTATED THE LIVES
22 OF 65 MILLION PEOPLE THAT HAVE BEEN LOCKED UP, I WANT TO URGE
23 YOU TO USE A.B.109 RE-ALIGNMENT PLAN TO MAKE A HISTORIC AND
24 COURAGEOUS DECISION TO SHIFT THIS COURSE. THE COMMUNITY
25 MEMBERS GATHERED HERE TODAY, LIKE THOSE IN WASHINGTON ALMOST



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1 50 YEARS AGO, BRING A VISION OF A FAIR AND JUST SOCIETY WHERE
2 GOVERNMENT INVESTS.

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4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** MR. STEIN, YOUR TIME IS UP, SORRY.
5 I GAVE YOU SOME EXTRA TIME. DAVID JACKSON?

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7 **DAVID JACKSON:** YES, GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS DAVID JACKSON. I
8 LIVE IN THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY IN THE FIRST DISTRICT AND I'D
9 LIKE TO ADDRESS THE COUNTY BOARD MOLINA AND THEN I WOULD LIKE
10 TO ASK WHY IS IT THAT A TOWN HALL MEETING WAS GIVEN FOR
11 BLACKS, IT SHOULDN'T HAVE SAID BLACKS OR COLOR OR POOR OR
12 WHATEVER BUT FOR BLACKS THAT WE COULD GO TO THESE MEETINGS AND
13 REQUEST THROUGH MEASURE R, THE M.T.A., THAT WE COULD GET JOBS.
14 NOW I'M A PRISONER. I'M ON PAROLE TODAY. I'M BLACK BUT YET FOR
15 A WHOLE YEAR NO ONE THAT I KNOW HAS GOT A JOB WITH M.T.A. CAN
16 WE GET JOBS? WE'RE READY TO WORK. WE'RE NOT TALKING ABOUT --
17 WE NEED JOBS TODAY. I'M A BLACK MAN. I THINK THAT OBAMACARE IS
18 THE POINT, NOW THAT'S GOING TO TAKE EVERYBODY POOR THAT CAN'T
19 GET IT, I NEED A JOB SO I CAN GO OUT AND PAY FOR THIS
20 HEALTHCARE BECAUSE IF I DON'T, ALL PEOPLE OF COLOR AND POOR IN
21 HERE IS GOING TO DIE OFF AND ALL Y'ALL THAT COULD AFFORD IT
22 AND BUY IT IS GOING TO GET IT. CAN I GET A JOB? CAN I WORK IN
23 L.A. COUNTY?

24



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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** HANG ON. WHY DON'T YOU LEAVE YOUR
2 NAME --

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4 **DAVID JACKSON:** I WANT TO TALK TO MY DISTRICT, I WANT TO LET
5 MISS MOLINA ANSWER THAT QUESTION. WILL YOU PLEASE GIVE US
6 JOBS?

7

8 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** SIR, I'M ANSWERING THE QUESTION.
9 (AUDIENCE REACTION) ALL RIGHT. OKAY. THANK YOU. YOU MADE IT
10 EASY. ZOILA, BEFORE WE ASK ZOILA, CHARLES BRADEN? IS CHARLES
11 BRADEN HERE? CHARLES BRADEN? LESLIE MENDOZA? CEDRIC BRADEN?
12 CEDRIC BRADEN? ZOILA BARRIOS?

13

14 **ZOILA BARRIOS:** GOOD MORNING, HONORABLE SUPERVISORS. I'M A
15 CONSTITUENT OF DISTRICT 2. I'M A NURSE AND A PERSON OF FAITH.
16 BUT I DID NOT KNOW A LOT ABOUT THE ISSUES RELATED TO JAILS.
17 HOWEVER, WHEN I BEGAN INTERNING AT THE VIOLENCE PREVENTION
18 COALITION OF GREATER LOS ANGELES, MY EYES HAVE BEEN OPENED TO
19 HOW DEFECTIVE THE SYSTEM CURRENTLY IS. I WAS ABLE TO GO TO THE
20 L.A.U.S.D. BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING AND IT WAS STRESSED THAT
21 THE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL SYSTEM IS GOOD, HOWEVER THE MIDDLE AND
22 HIGH SCHOOL SYSTEMS ARE STRUGGLING BECAUSE THERE HAVE BEEN SO
23 MANY CUTS, WHICH I UNDERSTAND. THE ECONOMY IS NOT IN A GOOD
24 STATE SO CUTS ARE NEEDED. HOWEVER, WHAT I DON'T UNDERSTAND IS
25 WHY WE NEED TO SPEND \$2.6 BILLION ON BUILDING NEW JAILS. JAILS



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1 CATCH PEOPLE AFTER THEY HAVE DONE SOMETHING WRONG. APPARENTLY
2 THERE'S MONEY AVAILABLE, SO THAT MONEY SHOULD BE SPENT ON
3 PREVENTION, WHICH IS STRENGTHENING COMMUNITY SERVICES AND
4 ENHANCING THE SCHOOL SYSTEM. WITH THAT, THERE WOULD BE NO NEED
5 FOR NEW JAILS AND OUR COMMUNITIES WOULD BE BETTER, SAFER AND
6 OUR ECONOMY WOULD BE PROSPER BY HAVING MORE HIGHLY EDUCATED
7 CITIZENS. SO PREVENTION IS KEY. THANK YOU.

8

9 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. CHARLES BRADEN?

10

11 **CHARLES BRADEN:** YES, I'M CHARLES BRADEN. I'M HERE TO SPEAK ON
12 THE HIRING PRACTICES OF THE M.T.A. RAIL. I WAS AWARE, THROUGH
13 SOME OTHER INDIVIDUALS WHO ATTENDED SEVERAL TOWN HALL MEETINGS
14 AT WHICH MEETINGS WE WERE TOLD THAT WE WOULD BE PRESENT BY
15 MAYBE THE MAYOR VILLARAIGOSA, MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS. AND COUNCIL
16 AT ONE POINT OR ANOTHER, I GUESS THEY PULLED THE PLUG WHERE
17 THEY WEREN'T ABLE TO MAKE IT THERE, YOU KNOW WHAT I'M SAYING,
18 BUT THAT'S HERE NOR THERE. WHAT I WAS CONCERNED WITH IS THE
19 ISSUES THAT WERE DISCUSSED AT THE MEETING SAID THAT PRIOR TO
20 THE M.T.A. BEING AFFORDED THIS CONTRACT THAT THERE WAS SOME
21 CRITERIA IN HIRING TO BE MET WHERE A PERCENTILE WERE SUPPOSED
22 TO BE IN PLACE. THEREFORE NONE OF THOSE ISSUES WERE BEING
23 ADDRESSED AND I WAS WONDERING WHAT MY COUNCIL SPOKESPERSON FOR
24 MY DISTRICT WAS PLANNING ON DOING AND IS THERE ANY ACTIONS



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1 THAT ARE IN EFFECT THAT MORE OR LESS ADDRESS THE HIRING NEEDS
2 OF THE AFRICAN-AMERICANS AND LATINO COMMUNITY AS TO THE --

3

4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. THANK YOU. DO YOU WANT TO
5 PROVIDE YOUR NAME AND CONTACT INFORMATION, WE WILL GET THAT TO
6 THE M.T.A., THE HIRING PEOPLE. GIVE IT TO THE SERGEANT AT ARMS
7 AND HE WILL GET IT TO US.

8

9 **CHARLES BRADEN:** ALL RIGHT. THANK YOU.

10

11 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** LESLIE MENDOZA?

12

13 **LESLIE MENDOZA:** HI, MY NAME IS LESLIE MENDOZA, FROM THE YOUTH
14 JUSTICE COALITION, I'M A YOUTH ORGANIZER. WE THE RESIDENTS OF
15 LOS ANGELES DEMAND THAT L.A. COUNTY STOP BUILDING JAILS.
16 REINVEST SAVING INTO JOBS, SERVICES, AND PROGRAMS TO CREATE
17 HEALTHY, EDUCATED AND SAFE FAMILIES AND COMMUNITIES. KEEP
18 CONTINUING TO REJECT THE SHERIFF'S PROPOSED 2.6 BILLION FOR
19 ADDITIONAL COUNTY JAILS. STOP CUTTING FUNDS FROM EARLY
20 EDUCATION SCHOOLS. DON'T WE WANT CHILDREN TO BE THE FUTURE?
21 HOW ARE WE GOING TO HAVE THAT WHEN SCHOOLS ARE BEING CUT OFF
22 AND JAILS ARE BEING FILLED? THE CITY IS SLOWLY CRUMBLING, NOT
23 BECAUSE OF CRIME, IT'S BECAUSE THE CITY HAS NO MONEY TO FUND
24 THE RESIDENTS OF L.A. COUNTY. STOP CUTTING SCHOOL AND YOUTH
25 PROGRAMS. THE CITY DOESN'T NEED MORE JAILS. WHAT WE NEED ARE



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1 MORE JOBS AND MORE COMMUNITY CENTERS TO KEEP MOVING US
2 FORWARD.

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4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. CEDRIC BRADEN?

5

6 **CEDRIC BRADEN:** GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISORS.

7

8 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** HANG ON ONE SECOND, I'M SORRY. I
9 WANTED TO CALL SOME OTHERS AND THEN I'LL COME BACK TO YOU.
10 NYABINGI KUTI? BRANDY BROWN? TRACIE HICKS? IS TRACIE HERE? NOT
11 HERE? DANIEL JONES? SHERRY HERNANDEZ? KEIDRA JOHNSON? OKAY.
12 MR. BRADEN?

13

14 **CEDRIC BRADEN:** OKAY. GOOD MORNING, SIR. I WOULD FIRST LIKE TO
15 SAY I CONCUR WITH MY BROTHER, CHARLES BRADEN, ABOUT THE M.T.A.
16 SITUATION. BUT MY MAIN CONCERN IS ADDRESSING THE JAIL
17 EXPANSION, AND EVERYBODY SPEAKING ABOUT WHAT'S GOING ON IN
18 THERE AND YOU GUYS NOT KNOWING ABOUT IT, THIS AND THAT. WELL,
19 I HAVE A MENTALLY CRIMINAL HISTORY IN MY LIFETIME. STARTING 13
20 AGE, DRUGS IN MY HOUSEHOLD, EVERYTHING. SO IT KIND OF WENT
21 CROOKED FOR ME. BUT I'VE DONE 7 YEARS OUT OF MY LIFE. I AM NOW
22 42 YEARS OLD, BUT I AM OFF PAROLE, ALL THAT. I'VE DONE
23 EVERYTHING THAT WAS NECESSARY TO GET OFF PAROLE. BUT LET ME
24 SPEAK ON WHAT'S GOING ON IN THIS COUNTY JAIL, BECAUSE I
25 ACTUALLY SLEPT ON THE FLOOR, SLEPT PLACES UNDER THE STAIRWELL.



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1 THESE ARE COMMON KNOWLEDGE THINGS FOR PEOPLE WHO HAVE BEEN TO
2 THIS L.A. COUNTY JAIL. A LOT OF THINGS LIKE O.J., WHEN HE WENT
3 TO JAIL, THEY FOUND OUT THE SANDWICHES WEREN'T WRAPPED. AND
4 LIKE, OKAY, LET'S WRAP THE SANDWICHES. WHAT'S IT GOING TO
5 TAKE, FOR SNOOP DOG OR SOMEBODY ELSE, ANOTHER CELEBRITY TO GET
6 ARRESTED FOR THEM TO FIND OUT WHAT HOW BAD THINGS ARE IN
7 THERE? BECAUSE IT'S REALLY TERRIBLE. THEY NEED TO TAKE THE
8 MONEY THEY'RE TRYING TO BUILD A NEW JAIL WITH AND FIX THE L.A.
9 COUNTY ONE THAT THEY GOT DOWN HERE. BECAUSE IF THAT'S WHAT A
10 JAIL IS, THEY CAN PUT A LITTLE ROPE AND SOME BARB WIRE AND
11 THROW SOME FOOD OVER LIKE A PIG STY, BECAUSE THAT'S BASICALLY
12 WHAT'S GOING ON IN THAT L.A. COUNTY JAIL. THEY DON'T NEED A
13 NEW JAIL. THEY NEED TO FIX THE ONE THEY GOT.

14

15 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. MR. KUTI.

16

17 **NYABINGI KUTI:** THANK YOU. MY NAME IS NYABINGI KUTI, I'M WITH
18 THE L.A. REINTEGRATION CAMPAIGN. AND I WOULD FIRST LIKE TO SAY
19 THAT THERE IS A BIG PROBLEM WITH THE WAY THAT THE SUPERVISION
20 IS BEING TAKEN FOR THE PROBATION DEPARTMENT AND THE COUNTY
21 JAILS. I'VE BEEN ATTENDING THE CITIZENS COMMISSION ON JAIL
22 VIOLENCE. AND ALSO I WOULD LIKE TO HAVE EVERYBODY'S ATTENTION,
23 PLEASE. BECAUSE WE SPENT ALL DAY WAITING FOR YOU GUYS TO
24 FINISH YOUR BUSINESS AND WE COME DOWN HERE AND SOMETIMES



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1 YOU'RE OFF ON SIDE ISSUES OR GO TO THE BATHROOM SO I WOULD
2 LIKE TO HAVE THE UNDIVIDED ATTENTION, PLEASE.

3

4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** YOU HAVE IT.

5

6 **NYABINGI KUTI:** THE PROBATION DEPARTMENT, THE CHIEF OF
7 PROBATION, DONALD BLEVINS WAS DOING COMMUNITY OUTREACH. AND
8 FOR SOME REASON HE'S GONE, HE WAS FIRED OR TAKEN AWAY. NOW WE
9 HAVE A PROBATION CHIEF JERRY POWERS HAS NOT SHOWN HIS FACE TO
10 THE COMMUNITY. HE'S BEEN IN PLACE FOR OVER ONE YEAR. AND JAIL
11 VIOLENCE COMMISSION IS EXPOSING SUCH OUTRAGEOUS CONDITIONS IN
12 THE COUNTY JAIL, I'M JUST WONDERING WHERE IS THE SUPERVISION?
13 YOU GUYS ARE THE SUPERVISORS. THEY'RE TALKING ABOUT HOW TANAKA
14 IS TAKING CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTIONS FROM HIS DEPUTIES TO GET
15 PROMOTIONS. WHERE IS THE SUPERVISION? YOU GUYS ARE THE
16 SUPERVISORS. SO WE NEED SOME ACTION.

17

18 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY.

19

20 **NYABINGI KUTI:** THE L.A. COUNTY HAS A PERFECT CHANCE TO REFORM
21 THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE SYSTEM IN AMERICA. SO WE NEED YOU GUYS.
22 AND WORK WITH US MORE.

23

24 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** TIME'S UP. THANK YOU. BRANDY
25 BROWN?



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2 **BRANDY BROWN:** HELLO MY NAME IS BRANDY BROWN I'M FROM THE YOUTH
3 JUSTICE COALITION. I'M A YOUTH JUSTICE ORGANIZER THERE. NO
4 MORE NEW JAILS. WE DON'T NEED NO MORE JAILS. THE MONEY YOU ARE
5 WILLING TO SPEND TO BUILD A NEW JAIL, YOU CAN TAKE THAT SAME
6 MONEY AND PUT IT TO A GOOD CAUSE. LIKE SUPPORT THE L.A. YOUTH
7 CAMPAIGN. WITH THIS, WITH THE CREATION OF A COMMUNITY
8 DEPARTMENT OF YOUTH DEVELOPMENT AND TRANSFERS OF 1 PERCENT OF
9 THE FUNDS SPENT ON LAW ENFORCEMENT TO FUND 50 YOUTH CENTERS,
10 25,000 JOBS AND 500 FULL-TIME PEACE WORKERS IN OUR SCHOOLS IN
11 OUR COMMUNITIES, THAT WOULD MAKE IT SO MUCH BETTER OUT HERE.
12 I'M JUST TELLING Y'ALL, I'M A YOUTH. I KNOW. I WENT TO CHUCO'S
13 YOUTH JUSTICE CENTER. I AM A BETTER YOUTH TODAY. PLEASE HELP
14 US.

15

16 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. KEIDRA JOHNSON?

17

18 **KEIDRA JOHNSON:** MY NAME IS KEIDRA JOHNSON FROM THE YOUTH
19 JUSTICE COALITION. I FEEL LIKE THERE SHOULD NOT BE ANY PRISON
20 OR JAIL EXPANSIONS. YOU'RE WASTING MONEY ON CAGES, WE SHOULD
21 BE SPENDING OUR MONEY ON MORE POSITIVE THINGS LIKE HELPING US
22 WITH JOBS AND HAVING PROGRAMS THAT IMPROVE OUR COMMUNITIES AND
23 MAKE THEM SAFE. HELP THOSE COMING HOME FROM LOCKUP WITH
24 IMPORTANT DOCUMENTS, LIKE CALIFORNIA I.D. AND THEIR SOCIAL
25 SECURITY CARD. STUDENTS GET THEIR TRANSCRIPTS FROM SCHOOL OR



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1 TEST SCORES AND THEIR MEDICAL RECORDS. GET US TRANSPORTATION
2 LIKE BUS PASSES FOR THEM TO MEET THEIR P.O.S OR IF THEY HAVE A
3 JOB INTERVIEW, HELP THEM GO LOOK FOR JOBS SO THEY CAN GET
4 THERE. PROVIDE HOUSING TO THOSE WHO NEED IT AND HELP THOSE WHO
5 NEED TO BE BACK IN SCHOOL GET TO SCHOOL BY EXPANDING PRISONS
6 AND JAILS, YOU TELL PEOPLE THEY REALLY DON'T CARE HOW THEY END
7 UP IN LIFE. YOU'RE TELLING THEM NOW THAT YOU'RE JUST GOING TO
8 DO WHATEVER POSSIBLE TO KEEP US ANIMALS, -- IN CAGES. THANK
9 YOU.

10

11 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. BEFORE JANE SPEAKS LET
12 ME CALL UP LARRY LANEHART. TANISHA DENARD? SHEILA PINKEL?
13 OKAY.

14

15 **SHERRY HERNANDEZ:** MY NAME IS SHERRY HERNANDEZ AND I'M HERE
16 REPRESENTING MY FAMILY AND MILLIONS OF HOME BUYERS THROUGHOUT
17 CALIFORNIA. THERE ARE ESTIMATED 40,000 HOMEOWNERS THAT ARE
18 GOING TO LOSE THEIR HOME EACH MONTH UNTIL THE HOMEOWNERS' BILL
19 OF RIGHTS TAKES PLACE IN JANUARY. AND SO I'M HERE TO ASK FOR
20 OUR COUNTY SUPERVISORS TO PUT A MORATORIUM ON FORECLOSURES.
21 WE, MY HUSBAND AND I, HAVE BEEN SEEKING HELP FOR THIS PROBLEM
22 SINCE 2007. AND IN 2007, WE WERE NOT BEHIND ON OUR MORTGAGE.
23 BUT THE LENDERS HAD BEEN ALLOWED TO LIE TO US, TO TELL US
24 THINGS THAT ARE NOT TRUE, AND BECAUSE IT'S NOT IN WRITING,
25 THEY LATER DENY IT. THEY'VE BEEN ALLOWED TO DO OUTRAGEOUS



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1 THINGS. AND PROOF OF THAT IS IN THE NUMEROUS LAWSUITS THAT
2 HAVE BEEN SETTLED THROUGHOUT THE UNITED STATES. HERE IN
3 CALIFORNIA IN 2008, COUNTRYWIDE HAD A LAWSUIT. AND WE HAVE HAD
4 NO RELIEF FROM THAT. THEY HAVE HAD LAWSUITS AFTER LAWSUITS
5 SETTLED THAT WE HAVE HAD NO RELIEF FROM. AND SO WE'RE ASKING
6 FOR A MORATORIUM ON FORECLOSURES UNTIL THAT LAW CAN GO INTO
7 PLACE.

8

9 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. LARRY LANEHEART?

10

11 **LARRY LANEHEART:** YOUTH JUSTICE COALITION. I JUST WANT TO SPEAK
12 ON BASICALLY WHAT IT'S LIKE WHEN IT'S IN THESE STREETS GANG
13 BANGING DOING SELLING DOPE BECAUSE THEY DON'T WANT TO MAKE
14 OTHER PRISONERS, WANT TO MAKE COUNTY JAILS, BUT WHAT ABOUT THE
15 YOUTH, THOUGH, WHAT ABOUT SCHOOLS? WHAT ABOUT EDUCATION
16 PERIOD? WHAT ABOUT A JAIL HOUSE WHICH I DONE CAME UP OUT OF,
17 YOU KNOW, SPENDING 20 MONTHS, MY MOM, MY POPS IS IN JAIL. I
18 DIDN'T JUST GOT OUT. I DON'T HAVE PAROLE OR PROBATION. I NEED
19 HELP RATHER THAN JUST INSTEAD OF BUILDING ANOTHER PRISON.
20 TREAT US LIKE DOGS AND ANIMALS AND CAN'T PROTECT OURSELVES AND
21 ACT AS INDIVIDUALS AS Y'ALL SPEAKING UP HERE. WHAT ABOUT US?
22 WHAT ABOUT THE SCHOOLS? WHAT ABOUT THE KIDS THAT ARE
23 STRUGGLING? WHAT ABOUT THE ADULTS THAT ARE STRUGGLING? THAT'S
24 WHAT Y'ALL NEED TO THINK ABOUT. GET A JAIL HOUSE, BUILD SOME



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1 YOUTH. BUILD SOME JOBS. BUILD SOMETHING. STOP TRYING TO LOCK
2 US DOWN. [APPLAUSE.]

3

4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU.

5

6 **TANISHA DENARD:** GOOD AFTERNOON. I'M TANISHA DENARD WITH THE
7 YOUTH JUSTICE COALITION. I JUST WANT TO URGE YOU GUYS TO BAN
8 THE BOX ON JOBS AND SERVICE APPLICATION, TO STOP CRIMINALIZING
9 FORMERLY INCARCERATED PEOPLE SO THAT OUR YOUNG BLACK AND BROWN
10 PEOPLE AND ADULTS CAN GET JOBS WHEN THEY'RE GETTING OUT OF
11 JAILS AND IT WON'T BE LIKE EASY FOR US TO GET VIOLATED AND GO
12 BACK TO JAILS.

13

14 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. LET ME CALL UP KEI
15 UTSUMI? MIKE CHATTOM? IS MIKE CHATTOM HERE? OKAY. MORGAN
16 BITSON? IS HE? NOT HERE. JUDITH GARCIA? OKAY. SHEILA PINKEL?

17

18 **SHEILA PINKEL:** YES. GOOD AFTERNOON. I'M A PROFESSOR AT POMONA
19 COLLEGE AND A MEMBER OF CURB. AND I'M HERE BECAUSE I WANT TO
20 SPEAK ABOUT MY CONCERN ABOUT THE GROWTH OF RECIDIVISM IN THE
21 UNITED STATES. AND WHAT'S BEEN HAPPENING ACROSS THE UNITED
22 STATES IS THAT ORGANIZATIONS HAVE BEEN MOVING TO CREATE
23 COMMUNITY-BASED REENTRY PROGRAMS IN ORDER TO COMBAT THE ISSUE
24 OF RECIDIVISM. FOR INSTANCE THERE'S A NATIONAL COALITION OF
25 COMMUNITY-BASED, CORRECTIONAL COMMUNITY REENTRY SERVICE



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1 ORGANIZATIONS. THE URBAN INSTITUTE HAS ORGANIZED COMMUNITY-
2 BASED PRISON REENTRY PROGRAMS. AND THEY HAVE A LIST OF THOSE.
3 THERE'S AN ORGANIZATION, FOR INSTANCE, IN DULUTH, MINNESOTA,
4 CALLED COMMUNITY OFFENDER REENTRY PROGRAM, WHICH IN 2005
5 RECEIVED SIGNIFICANT FUNDING TO DEVELOP REENTRY PROGRAMS AND
6 WERE SO SUCCESSFUL THAT THESE WERE REFUNDED IN 2009. I'D LIKE
7 L.A. COUNTY TO STEP UP TO THE PLATE AND JOIN THESE ENLIGHTENED
8 MOVEMENTS IN ORDER TO STOP RECIDIVISM IN THE COUNTY.

9

10 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. MR. UTSUMI?

11

12 **KEI UTSUMI:** I URGE YOU TO SUPPORT THE PROGRAM OF CURB,
13 COALITIONS UNITED FOR RESPONSIBLE, RESPONSIBLE BUDGET. THIS
14 SOCIETY NEEDS TO SHIFT TO INVEST IN HUMANITARIAN PROGRAMS FOR
15 THE PEOPLE OF ALL RACES. DON'T FUND MORE POLICE AND MORE
16 PRISONS. I DON'T WANT TO LIVE IN A POLICE STATE. BUILDING MORE
17 PRISONS CREATES A DRIVE TO FILL THEM BECAUSE YOU DON'T BUILD
18 THEM TO KEEP THEM EMPTY. AND IT'S WITH MOSTLY WITH THE POOR
19 POPULATION WHO ARE FROM BLACK AND BROWN. THAT MEANS
20 CRIMINALIZING PEOPLE RATHER THAN GIVING THEM OPPORTUNITIES TO
21 CONTRIBUTE TO SOCIETY. I URGE ALL OF YOU TO READ MICHELLE
22 ALEXANDER'S BOOK ON THE PRISON INDUSTRIAL COMPLEX, THE NEW JIM
23 CROW IN THIS AGE OF COLORBLINDNESS.

24

25 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. MIKE CHATTOM?



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1

2 **MIKE CHATTOM:** YES. GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS MIKE CHATTOM. I
3 REPRESENT THE COMMUNITY LEGAL RESEARCH CENTER IN COMPTON AS
4 WELL AS THE LOS ANGELES METROPOLITAN CHURCHES IN THE CITY OF
5 LOS ANGELES. WE STAND IN ALLIANCE TO HAVE A STOP ON THESE NEW
6 PRISONS BEING BUILT AND CREATED IN OUR CITIES, AND WE WANT
7 MORE REHABILITATION CENTERS TO ADDRESS ALL THAT ARE VICTIMIZED
8 BY DRUG ADDICTION AND BY MEDICAL NEEDS, HEPATITIS A, B AND C,
9 BLOOD PRESSURE ISSUES AS WELL AS DIABETES. WE NOTE THAT THE
10 L.A. TIMES HAVE REPORTED THAT THE A.C.L.U. HAVE MADE SOME VERY
11 SERIOUS ALLEGATIONS OF ACTS OF COLLABORATING CRUCIAL EVIDENCE
12 THAT THE L.A. SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT HAS HAD CONCEALED IN EACH
13 CASES THAT HAVE CONFINED PEOPLE TOWARD BEING IN PRISON. AND WE
14 ASK THAT YOU LOOK AT THIS CONSIDERABLY AS WELL AS CRITIQUE THE
15 SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT IN ITS ENTIRETY. BECAUSE THEY ARE NOW
16 HAVING PROBLEMS AS WELL AS OTHER THINGS OF INCARCERATING
17 PEOPLE OF COLOR. AND WE ASK THAT YOU CONSIDER THAT VERY
18 SERIOUS, AS WELL. THANK YOU.

19

20 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. JUDITH GARCIA, BEFORE
21 YOU SPEAK, LET ME CALL UP KIM MCGILL, SUZANNE O'KEEFE, IS
22 SUZANNE O'KEEFE HERE? EMILIO LACQUES? CARLOS MARROQUIN? OKAY.
23 JUDITH GARCIA?

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1 **JUDITH GARCIA:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS JUDITH GARCIA. I'M
2 HERE TODAY TO ASK YOU TO PLEASE CLOSE YOUR EYES AND GO BACK TO
3 THE YEARS WHEN YOU WERE A TEENAGER. VISUALIZE YOUR VISION OF
4 THE WORLD AND HOW YOU WANTED TO MAKE IT BETTER FOR ALL.
5 REMEMBER YOUR DREAMS TO WORK FOR A WORLD WITH LIBERTY,
6 EQUALITY, JUSTICE, FRATERNITY AND DIGNITY FOR ALL. REMEMBER
7 THAT YOU WERE CHOSEN TO DO SO. TODAY YOU HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY
8 TO BRING LIGHT TO THE WORLD AND TO THE FUTURE. TODAY YOU HAVE
9 THE OPPORTUNITY TO IMPACT THE LIVES OF CHILDREN AND YOUTH, MEN
10 AND WOMEN OF ALL AGES WITH YOUR DECISION TO REDIRECT MILLIONS
11 OF DOLLARS TO WORKING SOLUTIONS THAT BRING HEALTH, EDUCATION,
12 THERAPY AND MOST OF ALL HOPE TO FAMILIES AND ALL THE
13 COMMUNITIES. TODAY, YOU CAN BE YOUNG AGAIN AND HELP YOUR
14 FELLOW TEENAGERS TO REINTEGRATE TO THEIR FAMILIES AND AVOID
15 THE UNNECESSARY CHASTISEMENT OF OUR COMMUNITIES. PLEASE GIVE
16 THEM THE OPPORTUNITY TO REVIEW THEIR LIVES AND THE LIVES OF
17 OUR COMMUNITY. HUMBLY BUT STRONGLY ASK YOU TO PLEASE ADVOCATE
18 AT ALL LEVELS FOR INDIVIDUAL RIGHTS TO FAIRNESS AND
19 TRANSPARENCY. REMEMBER YOUR COMPROMISE TO THE YOUTH THAT YOU
20 ONCE WERE. HELP US WORK FOR DIGNITY, QUALITY, JUSTICE,
21 OPPORTUNITY. THANK YOU.

22
23 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. KIM MCGILL.



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1 **KIM MCGILL:** GOOD AFTERNOON. I WANT TO HAVE EVERYBODY STAND
2 WHO'S HERE TO DEMAND AN END TO THE JAIL EXPANSION IN L.A.
3 COUNTY. AND THIS JUST REPRESENTS ONE QUARTER OF THE PEOPLE
4 THAT WERE HERE TODAY AND THAT HAVE BEEN COMING SINCE JANUARY.
5 WE WANT AN END TO THE COUNTY'S ACCEPTANCE OF A.B.900 MONEY
6 INCLUDING THE BREAKING OF GROUND AT CASTAIC. THE IDEA THAT YOU
7 WOULD BUILD A JAIL AND CALL IT A VILLAGE IS LUDICROUS TO US. A
8 CAGE IS NOT A VILLAGE. ASK ANY OF US THAT HAVE BEEN INSIDE.
9 SECONDLY, WE WANT AN END PERMANENTLY, A VOTING DOWN OF THE
10 \$2.6 BILLION JAIL EXPANSION THAT THE SHERIFF IS PROPOSING. THE
11 SHERIFF SAYS THAT THEIR JAILS ARE BECOMING OVERCROWDED.
12 THEY'RE STILL AT 18,000 EVEN THOUGH 10 YEARS AGO THEY WERE AT
13 25,000. SO THEY STILL HAVE MANY BEDS THAT ARE UNFILLED. THEY
14 HAVE 2,000 PEOPLE A DAY THERE ARE ON ICE HOLDS FOR NO CRIMES
15 OTHER THAN DOCUMENTATION THAT THEY COULD RELEASE IMMEDIATELY.
16 THEY HAVE MANY PEOPLE THERE ON LOW LEVEL TICKETS, CITATIONS,
17 VIOLATIONS AND POSSESSION THAT COULD COME HOME IMMEDIATELY.
18 THE 18,000 THAT ARE THERE NOW DON'T ALL NEED TO BE. WE WOULD
19 SEE NONE OF THEM DEFINITELY NEED TO BE THERE. BUT THOUSANDS
20 COULD COME HOME WITHOUT ANY IMPACT ON PUBLIC SAFETY. THE IDEA
21 THAT WE NEED MORE JAILS IS LUDICROUS, IT'S A LIE. AT THE STATE
22 LEVEL, THE PROMISE WAS TO BRING PEOPLE HOME AND REINTEGRATE
23 THEM BACK INTO OUR COMMUNITIES. WE WANT TO WELCOME PEOPLE
24 HOME. THEY ARE OUR FAMILY MEMBERS, THESE ARE US. AND THE MONEY



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1 THAT WAS PROMISED FOR COMMUNITY BASED SERVICES HAS NEVER BEEN
2 RELEASED.

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4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** EMILIO, YOU'RE ON. [APPLAUSE.]

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6 **EMILIO LACQUES:** MY NAME IS EMILIO, I'M A YOUTH ORGANIZER WITH
7 THE YOUTH JUSTICE COALITION. FIRST OF ALL, I JUST WANT TO SAY
8 THAT I THINK IT'S VERY PROBLEMATIC AND DISGRACEFUL THAT MRS.
9 MARY SUTTON WAS TRYING TO READ THE LETTER THAT ALL OF US ARE
10 HERE TOGETHER TODAY PRESENTING TO YOU AND WAS NOT ALLOWED TO
11 SPEAK. THAT LETTER REPRESENTS ALL OF THESE DEMANDS THAT WE'RE
12 REITERATING OVER AND OVER AGAIN. AND NOW WE ALL HAVE ONE
13 MINUTE ONLY TO DISPLAY THIS. SO I HOPE THAT ON A FURTHER POINT
14 WE'LL BE ABLE TO DISCUSS THIS AS AGENDA ITEM. FURTHER I JUST
15 WANT TO SAY THAT AS A STAT, 80 PERCENT OF CALIFORNIANS WANT TO
16 END ADDITIONAL JAIL AND PRISON EXPANSION. IT'S NOT JUST US
17 HERE. WE'RE REPRESENTING A LOT OF OTHER PEOPLE IN THE STATE OF
18 CALIFORNIA. WE NEED TO REINVEST IN THESE WELCOME HOME EVENTS.
19 WE'RE DOING THE WORK THAT THE COUNTY WON'T DO. THE COUNTY IS
20 THROWING PEOPLE IN THESE PRISONS AND DEHUMANIZING THEM AND
21 THEY FEEL OPPRESSED. IT'S OPPRESSIVE AND IT'S DEHUMANIZING.
22 WE'RE DOING THE WORK THAT THEY WON'T. SO INVEST IN WHAT WE'RE
23 DOING AND WE'LL DO IT OURSELVES BECAUSE WE KNOW THIS SYSTEM
24 ISN'T GOING TO DO IT FOR US. THANK YOU.

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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. CARLOS MARROQUIN.

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3 **CARLOS MARROQUIN:** YES. GOOD AFTERNOON, SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS
4 CARLOS MARROQUIN. I'M WITH OCCUPY L.A. I'M HERE FOR SEVERAL
5 REASONS. ONE OF THEM I DID BRING, ASKED THIS FAMILY TO COME,
6 MISS GARZA TO COME HERE BECAUSE I WANT TO PUT A FACE TO THIS
7 ONGOING PROBLEM. DAILY WE RECEIVE CALLS FROM PEOPLE CRYING,
8 DESPERATE BECAUSE THEY'RE BEING THROWN OUT TO THE STREETS. WE
9 HAVE A 93-YEAR-OLD LADY THAT'S BEING THROWN OUT TO THE STREETS
10 THAT HAS DONE NOTHING WRONG. THIS PARTICULAR LADY DIDN'T DO
11 ANYTHING WRONG. SHE WAS SCAMMED BY PEOPLE AFTER SHE TRIED TO
12 SEEK THEIR HELP. AND NOW SHE'S FACING EVICTION. HOWEVER, I'M
13 HERE ALSO TO TELL YOU THAT MOST OF THESE HOMEOWNERS THAT COME
14 TO US HAVE NO RESOURCES WHATSOEVER. MANY OF THEM HAVE BEEN
15 FRAUDULENT FORECLOSED UPON. AND THEY STILL NEED LEGAL
16 ASSISTANCE. AND THERE IS NO LEGAL ASSISTANCE. YES, THERE IS
17 SOME LEGAL ORGANIZATIONS OUT THERE THAT OFFER FREE HELP, BUT
18 THEY'RE SO OVERWHELMED. MY PROPOSAL HERE IS THAT CALIFORNIA --
19 SINCE CALIFORNIA RECEIVED \$18 BILLION IN A SETTLEMENT, THAT
20 THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES SHOULD BE SEEKING SOME OF THAT MONEY
21 TO COME DIRECTLY TO ASSIST HOMEOWNERS IN THEIR LEGAL AFFAIRS.
22 WE ARE PROPOSING THAT THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, BASED ON THE
23 VICTIMS THAT THEY HAVE RECEIVED, THEY SHOULD BE GOING OUT
24 THERE WITH \$5 BILLION TO SET UP A PROGRAM SO HOMEOWNERS CAN
25 HAVE LEGAL ASSISTANCE AS THEY NEED IT. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.



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2 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. LET ME JUST CALL DOWN
3 REVEREND LEWIS LOGAN, OKAY, THANK YOU. JERRY WATSON? JERRY
4 WATSON HERE? ALICIA TROTTER? KAREN BERGER? KAREN BERGER HERE?
5 IS THAT YOU? OKAY. AND RENESHA MATTHEWS? OKAY. RONDA DIXON. IS
6 THAT YOU?

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8 **SUZANNE O'KEEFE:** I'M SUZANNE O'KEEFE.

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10 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OH, SUZANNE O'KEEFE, SORRY.

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12 **SUZANNE O'KEEFE:** I'M SUZANNE O'KEEFE. I'M HERE WITH OCCUPY,
13 FIGHTS FORECLOSURES AND OCCUPY L.A. FIRST OF ALL, THERE'S TWO
14 STATISTICS NO ONE'S BROUGHT UP ABOUT THE PRISONS. FIRST WE
15 HAVE MORE PRISONS, PEOPLE IN PRISON IN THE UNITED STATES THAN
16 THEY DO IN CHINA. CHINA HAS OVER A BILLION PEOPLE IN IT. WE
17 HAVE MORE PEOPLE IN JAIL HERE. SECOND OF ALL, NEW YORK STATE
18 IS CLOSING THEIR JAILS. CLOSING THEIR PRISONS FOR LACK OF
19 INMATES. I MAYBE SUGGEST WE LOOK INTO WHAT'S GOING ON THERE
20 AND IMPLEMENT IT. WE ARE ASKING FOR A MORATORIUM ON
21 FORECLOSURES WITH OCCUPY FIGHTS FORECLOSURES UNTIL THE
22 HOMEOWNERS' BILL OF RIGHTS GOES INTO EFFECT WHICH IS IN THE
23 BEGINNING OF JANUARY. BECAUSE EVERY DAY THAT THESE LAWS ARE
24 NOT IN PLACE, MORE PEOPLE ARE BEING FRAUDULENTLY THROWN INTO
25 THE STREETS. IT WAS AN ACKNOWLEDGMENT BY THE LEGISLATURE THAT



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1 THERE IS SOMETHING MAJORLY WRONG HERE, THAT THEY PASSED THIS
2 HOMEOWNERS' BILL OF RIGHTS. WE NEED TO IMPLEMENT THOSE LAWS
3 HERE NOW OR CALL FOR A MORATORIUM. HERE'S AN EXAMPLE OF WHAT
4 IS GOING ON WITH THE LIBBER. I JUST WANT TO SAY TWO THINGS.
5 WHAT'S CRITICAL FOR PEOPLE TO UNDERSTAND IS THIS IS A CARTEL-
6 STYLE CORRUPTION. AND THAT ELLIOTT SPITZER SAYS, "I THINK THE
7 MOB LEARNED FROM WALL STREET NOT VICE VERSA."

8

9 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH SUZANNE. RONDA
10 DIXON? IS RONDA DIXON HERE? ALICIA TROTTER? SUZANNE, WOULD YOU
11 MAKE ROOM FOR HER? THANK YOU.

12

13 **ALICIA TROTTER:** I WANTED TO SAY THAT LAST TUESDAY, JULY 10, 11
14 P.M. AT THE A.B.C., EYEWITNESS NEWS THERE WAS A MAN STANDING
15 ON AN L.A. FREEWAY WITH A SIGN. HE WAS YELLING THE F.B.I. IS
16 TRYING TO KILL ME. THEY HAD TO SHUT DOWN THE FREEWAY. THE FIRE
17 DEPARTMENT WAS THERE. POLICE CAME. AND YOU KNOW, BASICALLY
18 THEY SAID HE HAS A MOOD DISORDER AND THAT'S THE END OF THAT.
19 THERE WAS A MAN NAMED GIVERLY WONG IN BINGHAMPTON, NEW YORK.
20 HE SAID THE F.B.I. WAS RUNNING HIM DOWN FOR 13 YEARS. HE LIVED
21 IN CALIFORNIA. THEY SAID MOVE TO NEW YORK AND THEY'LL LEAVE
22 YOU ALONE. HE MOVED TO NEW YORK. THEY STILL CONTINUED TO RUN
23 HIM DOWN. HE WROTE A LETTER TO HIS LOCAL NEWS STATION SAYING
24 HEY, THE F.B.I. IS TRYING TO KILL ME. HE WROTE LIKE FIVE
25 PAGES. THE NEWS STATION DIDN'T DO ANYTHING WITH IT. BUT ON



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1 APRIL 3, 2009 HE KILLED 12 PEOPLE AND THEN HE KILLED HIMSELF.
2 THEN THE NEWS STATION PRINTED HIS STORY AND BASICALLY
3 EVERYTHING HE SAID ARE THINGS THEY'RE DOING TO ME EVERY DAY.

4

5 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU MS. TROTTER, YOUR TIME'S
6 UP. KAREN BERGER?

7

8 **KAREN BERGER:** I'M KAREN BERGER. I'M WITH OCCUPY FIGHTS
9 FORECLOSURES. GOVERNOR BROWN JUST SIGNED THE HOMEOWNERS' BILL
10 OF RIGHTS LAST WEEK. BUT IT DOES NOT GO INTO EFFECT UNTIL NEXT
11 YEAR. EVERY DAY FAMILIES ARE BEING THROWN INTO THE STREETS. WE
12 NEED A MORATORIUM NOW. ALSO, WE NEED CRIMINAL AND CIVIL
13 PROSECUTIONS AGAINST THE BANKS THAT FORECLOSED ON THESE
14 PEOPLE. 84 PERCENT OF FORECLOSURES ARE ILLEGAL. IT'S IMMORAL.
15 THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY RECORDER, DEAN LOGAN, SENT A LETTER TO
16 ATTORNEY GENERAL KAMALA HARRIS ON MARCH 9 CALLING FOR
17 PROSECUTIONS. AND I WANT TO ASK WHAT IS THE STATUS ON HER
18 LETTER? HIS LETTER TO KAMALA HARRIS.

19

20 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. RANESHA MATTHEWS?

21

22 **RANESHA MATTHEWS:** HI, MY NAME IS RANESHA MATTHEWS AND I'M WITH
23 THE YOUTH JUSTICE COALITION AND I'M A YOUTH FROM INNER CITY.
24 NOW SEVERAL RECENT POLLS HAVE MADE IT CLEAR THAT 80 PERCENT OF
25 CALIFORNIA WANTS TO END AN ADDITIONAL JAIL AND PRISON



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1 EXPANSION RECOGNIZING THAT THE COMMUNITIES NEED BETTER
2 SCHOOLS, MORE JOBS AND HEALTHCARE. STOP THE COUNTY'S PLAN TO
3 BUILD A NEW JAIL FOR WOMEN THAT IS DESCRIBED AS A VILLAGE WITH
4 GENDER RESPONSIVE SERVICE FOR WOMEN AND CHILDREN. A CAGE IS A
5 CAGE NO MATTER WHAT. FIRST THE COUNTY TAKES AWAY BROTHERS,
6 SONS AND FATHERS AND NOW THEY WANT TO TAKE AWAY DAUGHTERS,
7 SISTERS AND MOTHERS. WHO'S GOING TO BE LEFT TO TAKE CARE OF
8 THE YOUTH? NOBODY. NOT YOU GUYS AND NOT THE COUNTY BECAUSE ALL
9 YOU HAVE TO OFFER IS JAILS, NEVER A REAL SOLUTION. I COME HERE
10 OFTEN WITH OTHER YOUTH TO TELL YOU GUYS THAT JAILS IS NOT THE
11 SOLUTION. BUT IN A COUNTRY WHERE IT WAS FUNDED OFF OF SLAVERY,
12 I GUESS IT IS. ESPECIALLY SINCE IN THE 13TH AMENDMENT IT SAYS
13 SLAVERY IS OUTLAWED EXCEPT FOR JAILS AND IS PRISONS. NO WONDER
14 WHY 80 PERCENT OF PRISON POPULATIONS IS BLACK AND BROWN YOUTH.
15 SO I'M HERE TODAY TO ASK YOU TO PLEASE STOP BUILDING JAILS. NO
16 MORE PRISON POPULATION. SO, YEAH, NO MORE PRISONS, NO MORE
17 JAIL OR PRISON EXPANSIONS PLEASE. THANK YOU.

18

19 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. MARTHA ROJAS? IS MARTHA
20 ROJAS HERE? MEGAEN NIKOLIC? E.T. SNELL?

21

22 **GERRI WATSON:** I'M GERRI WATSON. I THINK YOU MIGHT HAVE MISSED
23 MY NAME.

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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** NO, I DON'T THINK I CALLED YOUR
2 NAME. OH, YES, I DID. I DIDN'T KNOW YOU WERE HERE. GERRI
3 WATSON. GO AHEAD.

4

5 **GERRI WATSON:** I CAME UP BUT YOU DIDN'T CALL.

6

7 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** GO AHEAD.

8

9 **GERRI WATSON:** I'M SOMEWHAT UNFAMILIAR WITH THIS FORUM BUT ARE
10 WE ALLOWED TO ASK QUESTIONS OF SUPERVISORS?

11

12 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** NO, YOU HAVE A MINUTE TO SPEAK
13 YOUR MIND.

14

15 **GERRI WATSON:** OKAY. WELL ANYWAY, I WANTED TO SEE HOW WE COULD
16 GET A STATUS REPORT ON OCCUPY FIGHTS FORECLOSURES REGARDING
17 THE COUNTY RECORDER'S OFFICE AND SAYING THAT THEY HAD
18 PERMISSION THAT THEY COULD AUDIT THE RECORDS IF THEY GOT THAT
19 FROM THE SUPERVISORS. AND THAT'S SOMETHING I JUST KIND OF
20 WANTED TO FIND OUT WHAT THE STATUS OF THAT IS.

21

22 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** I DON'T KNOW AND I DON'T KNOW THAT
23 ANYBODY HERE KNOWS WHAT THE STATUS OF THAT IS.

24



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1 **GERRI WATSON:** HOW WOULD I GET THAT? THAT'S MAYBE WHAT I'M
2 ASKING?

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4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** COULD YOU HAVE SOMEBODY TALK TO
5 HER? I'M NOT FAMILIAR WITH WHAT SHE'S TALKING ABOUT.

6

7 **GERRI WATSON:** I'M SORRY. IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY AREA.

8

9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WHICH PART?

10

11 **GERRI WATSON:** SOUTH CENTRAL.

12

13 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. MR. RIDLEY-THOMAS CAN
14 HAVE HIS STAFF AVAILABLE. BUT I THINK FIRST LET'S HAVE MR.
15 FUJIOKA FIND OUT WHAT YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT. SHE'S HERE. LET'S
16 SEE IF THERE'S SOMEBODY WHO CAN HELP HER. JAYTOM DAVIS? MARTHA
17 ROJAS? OKAY. MARTHA, GO AHEAD.

18

19 **MARTHA ROJAS:** GOOD AFTERNOON, SUPERVISORS, MY NAME IS MARTHA
20 ROJAS, I'M WITH BUENO GOD FOUNDATION. WE ARE A NONPROFIT I'M
21 ALSO A SUPPORTER OF OCCUPY FIGHTS FORECLOSURES. I AM HERE
22 TODAY BECAUSE WE ARE THE ONES THAT SEE THE PEOPLE EVERY DAY
23 THAT COME TO OUR ASSISTANCE BECAUSE THEY'VE BEEN FRAUDULENTLY
24 TAKEN IN BY AGENCIES, TAKEN MONEY OUT. AND AT THE END OF THE
25 DAY OR THE END OF THE MONTH, THE END OF THE WEEK, NOTHING HAS



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1 BEEN DONE. AND THEIR HOME GETS FORECLOSED ON BECAUSE THESE
2 BANKS ARE NOT WILLING TO HELP THEM. WE DID HAVE THE BILL THAT
3 PASSED FOR THE HOMEOWNERS' BILL OF RIGHTS, BUT IT WON'T TAKE
4 EFFECT UNTIL JANUARY. NOW WE'RE SEEING THAT THE BANKS ARE
5 PROCEEDING FASTER WITH THE FORECLOSURES AND EVICTING THE
6 HOMEOWNERS AND NOT ACCEPTING THE MODIFICATIONS SO THEY CAN
7 BEAT THEM TO JANUARY OF NEXT YEAR. MY REQUESTED PETITION IS
8 FOR MORATORIUM SO WE CAN HELP THE COMMUNITY AND STOP THESE
9 FORECLOSURES SO WE CAN SAVE THEIR HOME. AND MISS GLORIA
10 MOLINA, THE FAMILY THAT CAME IN THAT WANTED TO COME AND SEE
11 YOU AND SPEAK TO YOU, I THINK THE WAY YOU TREATED THEM WAS NOT
12 VERY NICE. I'M SORRY.

13

14 **SUP. MOLINA:** SET UP AN APPOINTMENT WITH ME. AND YOU WILL NOT
15 GET DENIED. I'D LIKE TO ASK YOU WHAT KIND OF SERVICES YOU'RE
16 PROVIDING BECAUSE I DON'T WANT YOU TO MISLEAD THE PUBLIC.

17

18 **MARTHA ROJAS:** WE'RE NOT MISLEADING THE PUBLIC. WE'RE A
19 NONPROFIT.

20

21 **SUP. MOLINA:** YOU CAN COME AND MEET WITH ME ANY TIME. GO
22 UPSTAIRS, SET UP AN APPOINTMENT.

23

24 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. JAYTOM DAVIS?

25



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1 **JAYTON DAVIS:** HELLO MY NAME IS JAYTON DAVIS. I'M HERE TO
2 REPRESENT THE YOUTH AND TO SPEAK OUT AGAINST JAIL EXPANSION
3 AND ANYBODY WHO OPPOSES HEALTHY ALTERNATIVES FOR THE PROFIT OF
4 MONEY. WE NEED NOT TO JUDGE PEOPLE FOR THEIR GENDER. WE NEED
5 NOT TO FOCUS ON THE EFFECTS OF CRIME BUT THE CAUSE. WE DON'T
6 NEED PRISONS TO ELIMINATE PEOPLE IN THE COMMUNITY FOR THE
7 PROFIT OF MONEY. WE NEED MONEY TO ELIMINATE THE HARSH
8 ENVIRONMENTS AND POORLY FUNDED COMMUNITY SERVICES FOR THE
9 PROGRESS OF HUMAN LIFE. YOU DON'T TRAP HUMAN LIFE AND PUT IT
10 IN A BOX. YOU DON'T CRIMINALIZE PEOPLE'S WHOLE LIVES BASED
11 UPON THEIR GENDER, RACE OR FINANCIAL STABILITY. AND WE DON'T
12 NEED POLICE TO IDENTIFY CRIMINALS THEN IDENTIFY WITH THE
13 CRIMINALS TO CATCH THEM BECAUSE THAT WOULD BE REPRESENTING A
14 MODEL THAT SAYS IT'S OKAY FOR ME TO RATIONALIZE AND USE
15 VIOLENCE UNDER CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES, BUT IF YOU DO IT, THEN
16 IT'S AGAINST THE LAW. SO THAT'S ALL I HAVE TO SAY BASICALLY.

17

18 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. MAGAEN NIKOLIC? GO
19 AHEAD.

20

21 **MEGAEN NIKOLIC:** I'M MEGAEN WITH OCCUPY WHITTIER AND OCCUPY
22 FIGHTS FORECLOSURES. I'M ALSO HERE AS A HOMEOWNER WHO IS IN A
23 BATTLE WITH MY HOME. WE TO DATE HAVE SPENT OVER THE PAST YEAR
24 AND A HALF \$64,000 ON ATTORNEYS, TWO OF THEM BEING SCAMS. YOU



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1 GUYS GOT \$18 BILLION AND IT HASN'T BEEN TOUCHED BY ANYONE
2 HOMEOWNER-WISE. WHERE IS THAT MONEY GOING?

3

4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WE DIDN'T GET THE \$18 BILLION. YOU
5 GOT THE WRONG GOVERNMENT.

6

7 **MEGAEN NIKOLIC:** \$1 MILLION, IT DOESN'T MATTER. HOW MUCH WAS
8 GIVEN? THAT MONEY WAS GIVEN TO HOMEOWNERS. HOMEOWNERS HAVE NOT
9 SEEN IT. THEY NEED HELP IN THE COURT SYSTEM THAT IS NOT
10 OVERSEEN RIGHT NOW. IT'S NOT BEING OVERSEEN. NOT A DAY LATE ON
11 OUR MORTGAGE EVER OUT OF 16 YEARS AND PEOPLE WERE ABLE TO COME
12 IN AND TAKE OUR HOUSE. TWO YEARS AHEAD. NOBODY IS OVERSEEING
13 ANY OF THIS. AND AS YOU GUYS SIT HERE, I FIND IT HORRIFIC THAT
14 YOU WOULD SIT HERE AND ALL JOKE AND CRACK JOKES AS PEOPLE ARE
15 TALKING ABOUT THIS. THIS IS A SERIOUS ISSUE. NOBODY HAS CAME
16 TO THE TABLE WITH A SOLUTION.

17

18 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. THANK YOU.

19

20 **MEGAEN NIKOLIC:** THANK YOU.

21

22 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** REVEREND FRAN TAYLOR, IS SHE HERE?
23 HE, I'M SORRY. REVEREND TAYLOR, COME ON DOWN. ERIC PREVEN? IT
24 IS A SHE. I'M SORRY. I COULDN'T SEE. HANG ON A SECOND. ARNOLD
25 SACHS? OKAY. MR. SNELL?



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2 **E.T. SNELL:** YEAH, MY NAME IS E.T. SNELL. THE WEBSITE IS
3 ETSNELL.COM. I WANT TO SALUTE OCCUPY L.A. FOR COMING HERE
4 TODAY BECAUSE THIS IS THE FIRST TIME IN A LONG TIME I'VE SEEN
5 THE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ALL BE HERE AND LISTEN TO
6 PUBLIC COMMENT. SO YOU PEOPLE OWE YOURSELF A GOOD ROUND OF
7 APPLAUSE. [APPLAUSE.] ON PRISON ISSUES, THANK YOU, THANK YOU.
8 ON PRISON ISSUES, I PAROLED MAY 1ST OF THIS YEAR BEHIND THE
9 PHONY TERRORIST THREAT CHARGES THAT L.A. COUNTY PUT ON ME. AND
10 IT'S THE SECOND TIME. IT'S ALL ON THE WEB SITE, ETSNELL.COM.
11 BUT YOU KNOW WHAT? LET'S TALK ABOUT IS THE L.A. TIMES HERE?
12 L.A. TIMES, ARE YOU UP THERE IN THE DOGHOUSE? NO, THEY'RE NOT
13 HERE. YOU WON'T SEE THEM HERE BECAUSE THEY'RE WITH THESE
14 PEOPLE UP HERE AND THEY GOT THIS GOING ON. YOU KIDS REALLY
15 WANT TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE IN L.A.? WHAT YOU DO IS YOU EMAIL ME
16 AT ETSNELL @ YAHOO.COM AND I'LL SHOW YOU HOW TO DO RECALLS. IF
17 YOU TAKE THAT SAME ENERGY THAT'S FALLEN UPON DEAF EARS AND YOU
18 GET OUT THERE AND RECALL SOME OF THESE INDIVIDUALS, THEN
19 YOU'LL MAKE A DIFFERENCE.

20

21 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. YOUR TIME IS UP, MR. SNELL.
22 REVEREND TAYLOR?

23

24 **FRAN TAYLOR:** GOOD AFTERNOON. I'M REVEREND FRAN TAYLOR. AND I'M
25 REPRESENTING AN ORGANIZATION CALLED SAVE OUR SONS. IT'S A 10-



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1 YEAR-OLD ORGANIZATION THAT HAS BEEN A PART OF THE CRENSHAW
2 UNITED METHODIST CHURCH. THIS IS A VERY VIABLE RESOURCE FOR
3 FELONS AND THEIR FAMILIES AND ADVOCACY FOR FELONS. AND SO I
4 WOULD LIKE TO WEIGH IN WITH EVERYONE ELSE THAT IS NEGATING ANY
5 EXPANSION OF THE JAIL SYSTEM. MY SPECIAL PROJECT IS WOMEN AND
6 THEIR RIGHTS IN THE PRISON SYSTEM. WOMEN ARE VIOLATED SEXUALLY
7 BY FELLOW INMATES AND BY STAFF. AND SO THIS IS AN ISSUE THAT
8 NEEDS TO BE ADDRESSED AS WELL. THANK YOU.

9

10 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU, REVEREND. ERIC PREVEN
11 HERE? JOHN NAHHAS? GLORIA ANGELES? LYDIA BREEN? OKAY, MR.
12 SACHS, YOU'RE ON.

13

14 **ARNOLD SACHS:** YES, THANK YOU. GOOD AFTERNOON, ARNOLD SACHS. A
15 COUPLE THINGS. THANK YOU FOR YOUR HUMANITARIAN THOUGHTS WHEN
16 YOU WERE DISCUSSING MR. NAHHAS EARLIER TODAY AND SUGGESTING
17 THAT IT'S A WASTE OF TIME TO COME DOWN, YOU DIDN'T WANT US TO
18 WASTE OUR TIME TO COME DOWN HERE. THE \$22 BILLION INDUSTRY, WE
19 THINK IT'S ACTUALLY NOT A WASTE OF TIME. THAT BEING SAID, YOUR
20 DISCUSSION ON THE MEASURE R AND MS. MOLINA'S COMMENTS
21 REGARDING THE HEARING TO BE HELD IN AUGUST, I BELIEVE THE
22 HEARING IN AUGUST IS REGARDING THE TRANSFER OF MEASURE R FUNDS
23 TO ROAD PROJECTS FROM METRO, MEASURE R PROJECTS, ALLOWING A
24 TRANSFER BETWEEN PROJECTS. IN AND OF ITSELF, IT HAS NOTHING TO
25 DO ACTUALLY WITH THE EXTENSION OF MEASURE R. AND IT'S AMAZING



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1 THAT YOU WOULDN'T KNOW THAT. AND THAT BEING SAID, REGARDING
2 THE MEASURE TO BE PUT ON THE BALLOT REGARDING THE ADULT SAFE
3 SEX. WHAT ABOUT FEMALE PERFORMERS IN ADULT FILMS? THEY DON'T
4 NEED TO WEAR CONDOMS WHEN THEY PERFORM ORAL SEX. HOW WILL YOU
5 ADDRESS THAT AS PART OF THE DISCUSSION REQUIRING CONDOMS FOR
6 MALE PERFORMERS BUT NOT REQUIRING CONDOMS FOR FEMALE
7 PERFORMERS?

8

9 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANKS. MR. NAHHAS?

10

11 **JOHN NAHHAS:** YES, I AM MR. NAHHAS. MANY OF THE CITIZENS THAT
12 CAME DOWN TO BE HEARD BY THIS BOARD SHOULD HAVE THE RIGHT TO
13 THREE MINUTES. THEY JUST WANTED TO BE HEARD AND YOU VIOLATED
14 THE SPIRIT OF ARTICLE 12 OF THE CALIFORNIA CONSTITUTION AND
15 THE BROWN ACT. YOU COULD HAVE ASKED IF THEY WANTED TO CEDE
16 TIME. THAT COULD HAVE HELPED WITH TIME MANAGEMENT. GENERAL
17 PUBLIC COMMENT SHOULD BE MOVED TO THE BEGINNING OF THE MEETING
18 STARTING AT 9:30 A.M. THESE PRACTICES WOULD BE JUST. THIS
19 WOULD BE THE RIGHT THING TO DO. THIS ILLUSTRATES WHY SO MANY
20 CITIZENS ARE DISGUSTED WITH THEIR LEGISLATORS. THERE IS NO
21 INTEGRITY, NO HONOR AND CHAOS RULES. FOR THIS BOARD TO PROMOTE
22 CHAOS AND STRAY FROM ORDER, CONSISTENCY AND INTEGRITY IS A
23 TELLTALE SIGN OF WHAT WE KNOW AS CORRUPTION. AGAIN, GIVING
24 PRAISE TO WHERE PRAISE IS DUE, THE GUYS AT H.B.O. AND AARON
25 SORKIN'S SHOW, THE NEWSROOM, ARE GETTING IT RIGHT. THEY



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1 ESSENTIALLY ARE CALLING OUT UNETHICAL BEHAVIOR ACROSS THE
2 BOARD AND THE PRESS IN GENERAL. WE FEEL THAT THE L.A. TIME HAS
3 AN M.O.U. WITH THIS BOARD.

4

5 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. THANK YOU, MR. NAHHAS.
6 IS GLORIA ANGELES HERE? SHE LEFT. LYDIA BREEN?

7

8 **LYDIA BREEN:** MISS LYDIA BREEN.

9

10 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** HANG ON I WANT TO CALL TAINA
11 VARGAS EDMOND, IS HE HERE? DEBORAH POLLRY. COME ON DOWN. BOBBY
12 COOPER? OKAY. LYDIA? GO AHEAD.

13

14 **LYDIA BREEN:** MY NAME IS LYDIA BREEN. AND TO PRE-EMPT MISS
15 MOLINA FROM ASKING WHY I'M HERE, I'M WITH OCCUPY FIGHTS
16 FORECLOSURES. I SUPPORT A MORATORIUM ON FORECLOSURES AND ALSO
17 ON EVICTIONS, WHICH IS SOMETHING WELL WITHIN YOUR POWER TO DO.
18 WE KNOW THAT MOST PEOPLE WHO ARE WINDING UP ON THE STREET
19 TODAY ARE WOMEN AND CHILDREN. AND I ASK YOU TO BEAR THAT IN
20 MIND. THERE'S AMPLE EVIDENCE FOR SUCH A MORATORIUMS. IF YOU
21 LOOK AT ALL OF THE FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS, THEY'RE FRAUD.
22 THERE'S AMPLE EVIDENCE OF THAT. AND I ALSO ASK YOU TO CONSIDER
23 ESTABLISHING A FUND FOR HOMEOWNERS, A FUND FROM THE ATTORNEY
24 GENERAL'S SETTLEMENT TO HELP THEM WITH THEIR LEGAL FIGHT
25 AGAINST ILLEGAL FORECLOSURES. SO THANK YOU VERY MUCH.



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2 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. TAINA VARGAS EDMOND?

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4 **TAINA VARGAS EDMOND:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISORS. I'M HERE ON
5 BEHALF OF MYSELF AND ON BEHALF OF MANY OTHER PEOPLE. I'M HERE
6 FIRST OF ALL AS EDUCATOR ON BEHALF OF MY SIXTH GRADE STUDENTS
7 AT MARKHAM MIDDLE SCHOOL WHO ARE POLICED EVERY SINGLE DAY AND
8 WHOSE COMMUNITY YOU ARE TAKING THE MONEY OUT OF IF YOU DECIDE
9 TO USE THE A.B.109 MONEY FOR PRISON EXPANSION. I'M HERE ON
10 BEHALF OF MY COMMUNITY. I'VE LIVED AND WORKED IN POOR
11 COMMUNITIES IN LOS ANGELES MY WHOLE ENTIRE LIFE. I'M HERE AS A
12 SISTER, DAUGHTER AND WIFE OF MY BROTHER, FATHER AND HUSBAND
13 WHO HAVE BEEN INCARCERATED AND MY HUSBAND WHO IS STILL THERE
14 NOW AND IS GOING TO SERVE A 10-YEAR SENTENCE FOR SOMETHING HE
15 DID NOT DO AS A RESULT OF THIS BROKEN SYSTEM. I'M HERE TO
16 CHALLENGE YOU ALL THAT WHEN YOU CONSIDER THE FUNDING FOR
17 A.B.109 THAT IT'S NOT JUST STATISTICS THAT HAVE BEEN SO
18 ELOQUENTLY PUT FORTH AS ORGANIZATIONS SUCH AS CURB AND THE
19 YOUTH JUSTICE COALITION, I'M HERE TO PUT A FACE TO IT. AND I
20 WANT YOU ALL TO LOOK AT ME AND TO SEE THE PAIN IN MY EYES, TO
21 SEE THAT I'M HERE REPRESENTING MY STUDENTS, MY COMMUNITY, MY
22 HUSBAND, MY FATHER, AND MY BROTHER AND THIS IS NOT SOMETHING
23 THAT YOU JUST SIGN OFF ON A PIECE OF PAPER, THAT THIS HAS A
24 REAL IMPACT IN THE COMMUNITIES THAT I LIVE AND WORK IN. THANK
25 YOU. [APPLAUSE.]



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2 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. MISS POLLRY?

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4 **DEBORAH POLLRY:** OKAY. I CAME TO TALK ABOUT INJUSTICE IN MY
5 OFFICE. I WORK AT DISTRICT 83 SOUTHWEST FAMILY. AND I HAVE A
6 DIRECTOR AND DEPUTY WHO ARE RETALIATING BECAUSE I HAVE BROUGHT
7 TO THEIR ATTENTION COMPLAINT ABOUT PARTICIPANTS NOT HAVING IT
8 POSTED WHERE THEY CAN GO FOR CHAIN OF COMMAND. AND SO BECAUSE
9 OF THAT, MY DIRECTOR HAS TALKED TO STAFF ABOUT NOT ALLOWING ME
10 TO SERVICE THE PUBLIC. AND THAT'S WHAT MY JOB DOES. AND THE
11 MEMO, I MEAN I'M SORRY, THE MOTTO IS TO ENRICH LIVES THROUGH
12 EFFECTIVE AND CARING SERVICE. AND THAT'S WHAT I'VE BEEN DOING
13 FOR 33 YEARS. THIS DIRECTOR HAS BEEN AT OUR OFFICE FOR THREE
14 MONTHS AND IN THREE MONTHS SHE HAS DENIED ME OVERTIME. SHE HAS
15 HAD DOUBLE STANDARDS. MY DAUGHTER HAS COME TO THE OFFICE JUST
16 TO PICK UP KEYS AND BEEN LABELED A THREAT TO OUR OFFICE WHEN
17 SHE HAS DONE FLYERS AND PARTICIPATED IN FUNDRAISERS, NONE OF
18 THAT WAS SAID ABOUT HER. OTHER EMPLOYEES ARE ALLOWED TO BRING
19 THEIR CHILDREN TO THE JOB AND NOTHING SAID ABOUT THEM. THEY
20 HAVE THE SUPERVISOR WRITING COMPLAINTS ABOUT ME AND I'M GIVING
21 YOU ONE OF THEM. I WORKED OVERTIME BECAUSE THEY HAD INTERNAL
22 AFFAIRS AT OUR OFFICE. AND WHEN INTERNAL AFFAIRS, I SPENT FIVE
23 HOURS WORKING WITH THEM, SO I STILL PUT THE BENEFITS ON FOR MY
24 P.T. TO HAVE MY DIRECTOR CHECK MY WORKLOAD AND JUST TO HAVE MY
25 SUPERVISOR WRITE A COMPLAINT AGAINST ME. THINGS LIKE THIS HAS



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1 TO STOP. I CAN'T EVEN WORK EFFECTIVELY. I'M GOING TO GIVE YOU
2 A COPY OF MY EVALUATION. VERY GOOD. IT STATES THAT I SERVICE
3 THE PUBLIC AND I DO WELL IN COMMUNICATION AND HELPING THEM GET
4 ASSISTANCE IN A TIMELY MANNER. I HELP THE ELDERLY, THE
5 PREGNANT.

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7 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU.

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9 **SPEAKER:** NO PROBLEM.

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11 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** BOBBY COOPER.

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13 **BOBBY COOPER:** GOOD EVENING. I SEE YOU CUT THE TIME DOWN TO ONE
14 MINUTE, HUH? WELL I TELL YOU WHAT, IT WON'T TAKE ME THAT LONG
15 FOR MY, WHAT I HAVE TO SAY. YOU KNOW, YOU CUT MY COMMENTS AND
16 ALTERED THE TRANSCRIPTS OF MY COMMENTS FOR LAST TIME I SPOKE.
17 BUT I WANT TO SAY THIS TO THE PUBLIC. THAT MY ORGANIZATION,
18 MIMAR SAMPLE SERVICE COMPANY, HAS PLEDGED \$250,000 TO BANK OF
19 AMERICA FOR THE AFRICAN-AMERICAN DOWNTRODDEN AND THE POOR
20 PEOPLE OF DOWNTOWN OF LOS ANGELES. BECAUSE OF MY DEPOSIT FOR
21 THESE POOR PEOPLE, BANK OF AMERICA HAS CONFISCATED MY SOCIAL
22 SECURITY CHECK, MY INCOME TAX CHECKS, \$600 DEPOSIT AND AN \$80
23 DEPOSIT. NOW, THIS IS OUTRIGHT FELONY AND I WILL BE CALLING ON
24 THE AMERICAN PEOPLE TO STEP FORWARD. GET YOUR MONEY, I PUT IT
25 THERE FOR YOU. MY FATHER JESUS DID.



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2 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU, MR. COOPER. HECTOR
3 DELADO? AND CHRIS SHELLY? CHRIS SHELLY HERE?

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5 **HECTOR DELADO:** GOOD AFTERNOON. I CAME TO TALK BECAUSE I SEE
6 THAT THERE IS MORE AND MORE PEOPLE WITH FORECLOSURE PROBLEMS.
7 I AM IN THE PROCESS OF FORECLOSURE AND THEY HAVEN'T GOT MY
8 FORECLOSURE YET, BUT I AM IN THE STEPS OF THE FORECLOSURE
9 ISSUE. AND I WONDER: WHAT ARE WE WAITING FOR TO DO SOMETHING
10 ABOUT PROTECTING HOMEOWNERS? ALL I HAVE IS A HOME. I DON'T
11 HAVE ANY MORE BANK ACCOUNTS. I DON'T HAVE ANYTHING ELSE. WHY?
12 BECAUSE THE BANKS RUIN MY STATUS. WHY ARE WE NOT PLANNING TO
13 OPEN UP FOR HOMEOWNERS AND LISTEN TO THEM, ALL OF THEM, HAVE
14 AN OPEN HOUSE AND DO SOMETHING TO HEAR ALL THE COMMENTS AND
15 YOU WILL FIND OUT THERE IS A LOT OF WRONGDOING IN THIS. THANK
16 YOU, MR. ZEV. AND ALL OF YOU.

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18 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. CHRIS SHELLY?

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20 **CHRIS SHELLY:** HELLO. MY NAME IS CHRIS SHELLY. TALKING ABOUT
21 REINTEGRATING BACK INTO SOCIETY, I WAS GONE FROM 2000 TO 2012.
22 I WAS A JUVENILE WHEN I LEFT. I NEVER EVEN HAD AN ID. I CAN'T
23 GET AN ID. THEY HOLD MY ID. SO HOW AM I SUPPOSED TO GET A JOB?
24 HOW AM I SUPPOSED TO REINTEGRATE INTO SOCIETY? HOW AM I
25 SUPPOSED TO GET ANYTHING WITHOUT ANY HELP OF GETTING



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1 SOMETHING? WENT TO THE D.M.V. AND THEY CAN'T HELP ME WITH
2 ANYTHING. TALK TO YOUR PAROLE OFFICER, THEY CAN'T SHOW YOU HOW
3 TO GET HOUSING. THEY CAN'T GIVE YOU A RIDE ANYWHERE. THEY
4 CAN'T SHOW YOU ANYTHING. ALL THEY COULD DO IS TELL YOU I DON'T
5 KNOW. YOU'RE TRYING TO DO EVERYTHING RIGHT, BUT YOU'RE NOT
6 GETTING HELP TO DO EVERYTHING RIGHT, SO HOW ARE YOU SUPPOSED
7 TO DO IT? CAN ANYBODY GIVE ME AN ANSWER FOR THAT?

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9 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WELL, THIS IS NOT A QUESTION AND
10 ANSWER FORUM.

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12 **CHRIS SHELLY:** CAN YOU DIRECT ME IN THE RIGHT DIRECTION?

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14 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** I THINK WE COULD HAVE SOME FOLKS.
15 WHOSE DISTRICT DO YOU LIVE? WHAT PART OF TOWN DO YOU LIVE?

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17 **CHRIS SHELLY:** I'M IN L.A. COUNTY RIGHT NOW. INGLEWOOD.

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19 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS'S STAFF
20 WILL TALK TO YOU, OKAY?

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22 **CHRIS SHELLY:** THANKS.

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24 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** JOHN WALSH?

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1 **JOHN WALSH:** JOHN WALSH, BLOGGING AT HOLLYWOODHIGHLANDS.ORG.
2 COME TO OUR WEBSITE. LAST WEEK, YOU SAY YOU DON'T GET MANY
3 PEOPLE WATCHING THIS? BETWEEN 1 AND 2 O'CLOCK MY WEBSITE HAD
4 5,000 REQUESTS FROM SPEAKING HERE, 12,000 FOR THE ENTIRE DAY.
5 HOLLYWOODHIGHLANDS. AND AS YOU KNOW WHAT, I PROMISED YOU THE
6 ZEV-O-GRAM. IT WENT OUT LAST NIGHT.

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8 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** MR. WALSH, YOU'RE NOT GOING TO BE
9 PERMITTED TO DO THAT AGAIN THIS WEEK. SO YOU'RE NOT GOING TO
10 MAKE ANY PERSONAL ATTACKS ON ANY MEMBER OF THIS BOARD. ALL
11 RIGHT. ARE WE READY TO GO INTO CLOSED SESSION?

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13 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** IN ACCORDANCE WITH BROWN ACT REQUIREMENTS,
14 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVE THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WILL
15 CONVENE IN CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS ITEM NO. CS-1, CONFERENCE
16 WITH LEGAL COUNSEL REGARDING EXISTING LITIGATION, ITEM NO. CS-
17 4, CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL REGARDING SIGNIFICANT
18 EXPOSURE TO LITIGATION, ONE CASE, CS-5 CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL
19 COUNSEL REGARDING INITIATION OF LITIGATION, ONE CASE. AND ITEM
20 NO. CS-6, DEPARTMENT HEAD PERFORMANCE EVALUATIONS AS INDICATED
21 ON THE POSTED AND SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDAS. THANK YOU.

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1 **REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION JULY 17, 2012**

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5 No reportable action was taken on items CS-1, CS-4 or CS-5.

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7 In open session, items CS-2 and CS-3 were continued two weeks
8 to July 31, 2012.

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